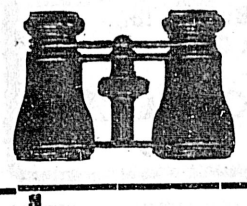
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DIPLOMATS PUZZLED AT THE SITUATION

Lord Lansdowne Deems a New Light Has Been Thrown on The Russian Outrage By Admiral Rojestvensky's Report.

OFFICIAL STORY NOT RECEIVED

Admitted That Account Will Now Prevent Ultimatum Great Britain Had Prepared For Presentation At St. Petersburg.

London, Oct. 27.—One of the most complicated diplomatic questions in some years exists tonight with no sign of immediate settlement.

The tension that arose into the simple question whether Russia would guarantee in advance that some punishment should be administered to the offending officers of the second Pacific squadron has been modified by the introduction of an entirely new set of contentions contained in Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's report, yet even the most astute diplomats who recognize a temporary improvement in conditions, are puzzled by the complications that so curiously arise. However, there is tonight at the embassies of the powers, not concerned in the dispute, a very strong conviction that a way out will be found other than in recourse to war.

The foreign office apparently, as puzzled as the others, pursues the policy of silence and the British press is almost totally uniform. The voluminous exchanges daily occurring between London and St. Petersburg continue the sentiment that no reply from Russia has been received, adding to the implication that Russia is ignoring the British representations. It is this misconception which is chiefly responsible for the stirring up of a popular agitation against which the government may find it hard to stand out in the possible event of Foreign Minister Lansdowne withdrawing the demand that Russia guarantee punishment before an inquiry is instituted.

Admiral Rosjestvensky's report has not arrived, or it is probable the dispute would have been settled one way or the other tonight. Its terms, however, are generally held to prevent the presentation of the ultimatum which Great Britain undoubtedly intended to send. Despite Lord Lansdowne's frank confession that the circumstances reported by Admiral Rojestvensky are to him inconceivable, the foreign minister is not prevented from seeing that new light has been thrown on the "outrage," and that diplomatic usage now compels less urgent action than the British government at first contemplated.

In the present temper of the British nation it is not at all likely that preparations for hostilities will be relaxed or that the popular outcry will be diminished by Admiral Rojestvensky's report, but it is understood that Great Britain will run the risk of forfeiting in some degree the goodwill of France and certainly that of Germany if she proceeded to substitute warlike for diplomatic preparations of which intention, so it is stated at the Russian embassy, tonight there is no indication in Lord Lansdowne's communication.

The attitude of France is held to be of the highest importance. It was said today by the representative of another great power, that if France had given definite assurances that she would not support Russia in the event of war growing out of the North Sea incident a hostile issue would have been almost inevitable, as the temptation to crush the Russian naval poyer after such provocation would scarcely have been refused by Great Britain. It is pointed out that it is greatly to France's interest to preserve peace and her efforts in that direction obviously will be strengthened by not committing herself except at the last moment.

So long as Great Britain is not sure whether France will help Russia she will not be likely to engage in war, while Russia, with France neutral, would also, it is thought, scarcely invite defeat. It is the most probable solution of the rumors of war. Regarding France's position a high authority is quoted as saying that she has given both disputants to understand that she does not desire to become involved, but has reserved her final decision. Ambassador Cambon, who is unceasingly active throughout the day, not only in visiting Foreign Minister Lansdowne and Ambassador Benckendorff, but other of his diplomatic colleagues.

Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister, after reading Admiral Rojestvensky's report, reiterates his statement that it was impossible that any Japanese torpedo boats could have been where the Russian admiral thought them. He declared that Rojestvensky's own statement of indiscriminate firing after such slight investigation showed that the Russian fleet was likely to menace the safety of all neutral seas and make international law merely a farce.

War between England and Russia M. Hayashi said, would be greatly to Japan's advantage; as a friend of England he would be sorry to see it come but that the war could only consist of about one naval engagement.

No representations have been made by the Japanese or the British government regarding the action of the Spanish authorities in connection with the second Pacific squadron, both governments being satisfied with the correctness of the Spanish attitude.

So far as is known here the United States is not moving in the present action, statements alleging expressions of accord with the British attitude on the part of the United States being emphatically denied by Charge White, in Ambassador Choate's absence, who is in the country.

Japanese Reported

Copenhagen, Oct. 27.—The correspondent of the Associated Press learns that the Danish ministry of marine was informed that several ships chartered by Japan were at Hull and intended to attack the Russian second Pacific squadron in the North sea. The Russians were informed of this. The marine authorities here credit the report. The Danish ministry was officially informed that thirteen vessels had been chartered by the Japanese to attack the Russian second Pacific squadron in the North sea. A Danish cruiser and a torpedo boat watched the vessels so closely that their approach to the Russian squadron was impossible.

While thus engaged the Danish torpedo boat Havyesten had a narrow escape. The commander of a Russian battleship mistook the Danish boat for an enemy and fired a blank shot. The quickness of the torpedo boat in displaying its flag saved her. This happened at night time. When the captain torpedo boat boarded the battleship he found large quantities of ammunition piled ready for use. The incident was reported to the Danish minister at the time. Danish ships acted as police for the Russians until the latter reached the North sea.

Story Concocted

London, Oct. 27.—Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister to Great Britain, was asked tonight by the Associated Press for his side of the statement from Copenhagen that the Danish ministry of marine was informed recently that several ships were chartered at Hull by the Japanese government to attack the second Pacific squadron, and that thirteen Swedish vessels had also been chartered by Japan for the same purpose. The Japanese minister said that no ship has been chartered by his government from Hull or elsewhere to destroy the squadron. The chartering and arming of thirteen ships, he said, would be impossible in these waters. It would have been necessary to man them with Japanese and there are not enough Japanese here. At Hull, the minister added, there are two Japanese studying the curing of fish. The minister said the whole story must have been concocted in order to throw dust in the eyes of the Danish minister of marine and of the world.

BRITISH SQUADRONS READY FOR ACTION

Channel Fleet Participates in Mimic Attack—Mediterranean Fleet Concentrating.

Gibraltar, Oct. 27.—The ships of the British channel fleet cleared their decks this afternoon. It is rumored that the whole fleet with the exception of the battleship Caesar, will steam westward tomorrow morning with the purpose, it is alleged, of making a sham attack against the Rock of Gibraltar. Several torpedo boats left Tangier this afternoon fully equipped.

Work at the arsenal is proceeding under high pressure. A division of the Mediterranean fleet, comprising six battleships, all the armored cruisers and twenty torpedo boats, are expected to arrive here tomorrow.

Athens, Oct. 28.—All the vessels of the British Mediterranean fleet now in Greek waters, have been ordered to sail forthwith. The British squadron sailed at midnight.

ARMIES CLOSE IN TOUCH.

With the Russian Eastern Army, via Mukden, Oct. 27.—The heavy firing last night and this morning was only the auxiliary exchanging shots. Both firing lines are now facing each other without outposts.

WATCHING FRANCE.

German Diplomats Keep an Eye on Neighbor's Doings.

Berlin, Oct. 27.—The attention of diplomatic Germany is concentrated upon what the French government intends to do or perhaps already has done in the British-Russian affair. France seeks to prevent Great Britain from pushing her claims to a point where Russia will be humiliated and is urging Russia to make ample satisfaction immediately.

A DISCLAIMER.

London, Oct. 27.—The Associated Press is assured there is no foundation for the report appearing in the afternoon newspapers here to the effect that Secretary Henry White of the United States embassy, who is described as the charge d'affaires, had called at the foreign office and assured the officials that Great Britain had the entire sympathy of the president and the American people and would have the entire moral support of the American government.

In the first place Mr. White is not at present charge d'affaires as Ambassador Choate is here, and secondly Mr. White, even in private conversation, has not expressed such sentiments.

A LURID STORY.

German Fisherman Relates Strange Tale Russians' Visitation.

Berlin, Oct. 28.—A despatch to the Lokal Anzeiger, dated Ceestemundle, October 27, says the fishing vessel Sonnetaga, which arrived here today, reported it had been fired upon for two and a half hours off Dogger Bank, but was not hit. The following is the story of Capt. Hachner of the Sonnetaga: "On October 21 we were in the Horn's reef fishing grounds, on the west coast of Jutland. In the forenoon five large Russian ships passed, and in the evening nine more. North of us was a large freight steamer. At 8:30 o'clock p. m. we were lighted by the reflector and immediately afterwards there fell the first shells in our neighborhood. The Russians fired up to 80 shots a minute in all directions. Afterwards, at 9:40, the freighter approached us, drawing the fire upon itself. In the light of the reflector we observed shells striking close to this steamer. We then observed another reflector southward and shells bursting near the ship which was firing on us. We remained unhurt. After 11 o'clock there were 70 further shells."

COMPLICATIONS IN NORTH SEA AFFAIR

Russian Admiral's Report of Attack By Torpedo Boats Apparently Corroborated By Fishermen's Own Statement.

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STORY

Great Britain Has Made No Specific Demands Except For a Full Inquiry Into the Circumstances.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 27.—The statement that Admiral Rojestvensky's report declares that no torpedo boats were with the squadron when the incident occurred, is confirmed. The report is brief and gives no details, but the admiralty announces that it would be given out without awaiting for the detailed report, which is expected by tomorrow. Owing to the wide divergence between the two versions of the affair, it seems that some sort of enquiry is necessary to settle the facts, but nothing has been done in that direction. The suggestion is made that, in order to satisfy both parties, the enquiry should be made by a mixed tribunal. It is explained here that an enquiry would not involve a delay in the voyage of the squadron as the deposition of the officers could be taken. At the admiralty there is a feeling of great relief over Rojestvensky's explanation and rejoicing at the fact that their confidence that there was another side to the affair is vindicated.

Rojestvensky's report was telegraphed from Vigo direct to the Emperor, who received it late last night. It was communicated this morning to Ambassador Hardinge by Foreign Minister Lamsdorff himself.

There is reason to believe that the British embassy was also acquainted with information which reached the Russian authorities some time ago of the arrival at and subsequent mysterious disappearance from Hull of twenty Japanese, mention of which was made in these despatches of October 25.

It is pointed out that the original version of the incident, as recited by the captain of the trawler Moulmein, coincides closely with Rojestvensky's. The captain said that while the squadron was passing he suddenly noticed two torpedo boats, which approached so near that he thought they intended boarding him, when they sheered off, heading back for the squadron. Almost immediately afterwards the squadron opened fire.

According to one account of Rojestvensky's report, it specifically states that there were no torpedo boats with the squadron when the incident occurred. If this is true, the statement of the captain of the Moulmein would completely corroborate Rojestvensky.

In view of the entirely new complexion placed upon the incident by Rojestvensky's report, it is readily conceivable that Russia may make representations to Great Britain, and that the whole course of exchanges between the two governments regarding the affair may be altered.

Rojestvensky's version is likely to create quite as much indignation in Russia as the fishermen's version did in England. Further enquirey would seem to be indispensable in order to definitely establish to the satisfaction of both governments that there has been no mistake. If it is conclusively proved that a couple of Japanese torpedo boats launched an attack upon the Russian squadron from the English shores, or from shelter of the English fishing fleet, there is no doubt that the British government will promptly denounce this outrage and use every effort to punish the offenders.

The sudden turn given to the affair by Rojestvensky's official report created a most peculiar situation and the approaching developments are being watched with the keenest interest.

It is stated that torpedo boats attacked the Russian ships. They disregarded the signals to keep off when picked up by the searchlights and fire was opened on them.

Rojestvensky refers specifically to the reports in the British press, showing that he had some of the British papers before him when he wrote his report. Some of his language is scarcely sarcastic and especially when speaking of the appearance of the torpedo boats from the direction of the British fishing fleet, conveying an intimation which will certainly arouse resentment in England. He declares no other naval commander at sea, under similar circumstances, would have failed to open fire, and adds that he courts the fullest enquiry and suggests that a court of enquiry could be held at Vigo.

According to word received here, Great Britain will at once grant the most formal enquiry into the affair.

In diplomatic circles Rojestvensky's report created the keenest interest. The feeling is that the situation demands impartial investigation to determine the facts to the satisfaction of both parties and the world in general.

One of the things particularly pointed out is the fact that Rojestvensky's report was written after he had seen the foreign accounts of the affair.

The admiralty is unable to explain why, after being attacked, he waited four days before reporting, and that he then took pains to reply to the allegations of the press. In some quarters this is regarded as suspicious. Of course, the government accepts the report in good faith, but if an enquiry should prove that the report was prepared to shield himself, the most severe punishment will be meted out to him. If, on the contrary, it is proved to be correct, it will place Great Britain in an awkward position. In either event the situation might be rendered more acute and the feeling among the diplomats is that, pending a solution of all the questions in doubt, the greatest tact should be observed by the statesmen and newspapers of the countries.

Reports that Great Britain has demanded the punishment of the authors of the trawler incident are untrue. Great Britain has not made any specific demands except for an enquiry.

Intense Excitement Among Russians

Not Since Beginning of War Has the Populace Been so Worked up.

Sympathy and Confidence is With Rojestvensky in North Sea Affair.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 28.—(3:10 a. m.)—The mystery of the trawlers' affair, instead of being cleared up by Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's report today, appears to be worse than ever. The Russian admiral's explanation is hailed with the greatest satisfaction at the admiralty and elsewhere, but it is felt that a direct issue has now been raised between Russia and Great Britain and the incident has entered upon an even more delicate stage. Public sentiment in both countries doubtless will demand the most searching investigation to establish the facts, and probably neither nation will be willing to accept the result of an ex parte enquiry by the other. The outcome probably will be a mixed tribunal of some sort. This, at least, is the suggestion of some of the cooler-headed men here, and it is felt that only thus could a repetition of the main enquiry be avoided.

Popular excitement has reached a pitch unequalled since the beginning of the war. Public sympathy and confidence is undoubtedly with Admiral Rojestvensky. Should Russia choose to stand upon this version without further enquiry, there is no question but that such a course would be a popular one. It is most unlikely, however, that the government will adopt such a course. It is much more probable that, after the first flush of excitement is faded away, a way will be found in which the national pride of both countries will be maintained.

IMPERIAL RESCRIPTS.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 27.—Two imperial rescripts are published in the Official Messenger this morning. The first of them is covered by Viceroy Alexieff's order of the day announcing the appointment of General Kuropatkin to the chief command of the Russian forces in the East. The second is addressed to General Kuropatkin as commander-in-chief of all the military and naval forces at the scene of war. It concludes with these words: "Your military experience strengthened by your action in Manchuria, makes me feel confident that you will break the obstinacy of the enemy's forces at the head of your glorious army and will thereby assure to Russia peace in the Far East."

SERIOUS RIOTS IN RUSSIA.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 27.—Serious riots are reported to have occurred in the Province of Vilna. General Ridzvsky, the new head of the police department, has hurriedly proceeded thither.

RUSSIAN FLEET REMAIN.

Spain Grants Battleships Permission to Repair at Vigo.

Madrid, Oct. 27.—M. Schovitch, the Russian ambassador to Spain, and Foreign Minister San Pedro, had a long conference here today. The government has authorized the Russian warships at Vigo to remain in port and complete repairs, on condition that they leave immediately after the repairs are completed.

FORCED TO ASSIGN.

Owning Company of Ill-Fated General Slocum in Receiver's Hands.

New York, Oct. 27.—A receiver has been appointed for the Knickerbocker Steamboat Company, the owners of the steamer General Slocum, which was burned last summer with a loss of nearly a thousand lives, in a suit on an assigned claim for $166. Henry L. Joyce was named as receiver. Several officers of the company remain under indictment in connection with the General Slocum disaster.

FUNERAL OF VICTIMS NORTH SEA AFFAIR

A Wreath From King Edward Among Many About the Coffins.

Hull, England., Oct. 27.—The funeral today of two of the victims of the North Sea tragedy was made the occasion of a great public demonstration. The civic officials attended the ceremonies and hundreds of wreaths, including one from King Edward, were placed on and about the coffins. Business was suspended and flags half-masted on the ships in the harbor.

NEWFOUNDLAND AGREEMENT.

Paris, Oct. 27.—The report of M. Francois de Loniel, on the Anglo-French agreement relative to Newfoundland, was laid before the chamber of deputies today. It strongly approves of the agreement and says: "It is chiefly important in putting an end to serious difficulty between two great nations. It is part of the general move for a rapproachment and union between France and Great Britain. Too long have these countries been divided. The hour has come when both peoples desire reunion."

CURTAILING WORKING STAFF.

Schenectady, N. Y., Oct. 27.—But 200 men are left at the local plant of the American Locomotive Works out of 5,000 who were employed there four months ago. Over 100 employees were notified yesterday that their services were no longer needed. There are but two engines in the floor awaiting completion, although it is said that the company has plenty of orders, and it is conceded that the works will be started on full time shortly.

CASSINI ON SITUATION.

Russian Ambassador at Washington Says Russia Will Not Recede.

Washington, Oct. 28.—Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador to the United States, commenting on the alleged request from Great Britain that Russia punish the officers responsible for the Dogger Bank affair, said that such a request would be unprecedented. "Russia," he added, "can not admit the right of any power to interfere in her internal affairs, or even suggest a method of internal administration, and it is to be hoped that no nation will make such suggestions." The ambassador concluded emphatically: "Await the facts, thinking people in this country will, I am sure, insist upon the facts before forming their opinions." While the situation is delicate, the ambassador believes diplomacy will solve it peacefully.

HAILED SHOT ON HARMLESS STEAMER

Truculent Russian Cruiser Ignores Neutral Flag and Blazes Away.

Stockholm, Sweden, Oct. 27.—The skipper of the Swedish steamer Aldebaran, from Hull, England, which arrived today at Gefle, Sweden, says his vessel was chased in the Skagerack during the evening of Friday, October 21st, by a foreign cruiser, apparently Russian, which threw its searchlights on her. The cruiser increasing her speed, passed the Aldebaran and fired a shot which had no effect. The Aldebaran thereupon hoisted her flag and the cruiser again threw her searchlight on the steamer and a few minutes later hailed shot around the Aldebaran without, however, hitting her.

The Aldebaran's skipper then ordered the steamer to be stopped and with his crew sought refuge below. The foreign warship thereupon disappeared in the darkness.

RUSSIA CHARTERS COLLIERS.

Berlin, Oct. 27. — Six more colliers have been chartered at Flensburg to transport coal for the use of the Russian second Pacific squadron.

Try To Unlock The Dardanelles

Russia Addresses Great Powers on Question of Vital Interest.

Great Britain's Protest to Porte Last January Revived the Question.

Rome, Oct. 27.—A request has been received by the Italian government from Russia regarding the removing of the international restrictions of the passing through the Dardanelles by ships of war. The question has been more or less discussed between the powers since last January, when Great Britain addressed a protest to Turkey against the passage of the straits by Russian torpedo boats. While no conclusion was reached, the attitude of the different powers appears to be as follows:

Great Britain—Decidedly opposed.

Germany—Considers herself an unconcerned spectator, whose interests in the disputed matter would be neither furthered nor prejudiced by whatever solution might be reached.

Austria—Always upheld the principle that the Dardanelles should be open to all or none.

France—Because of her present alliance with Russia, France views the question in a different light from that on which she regarded it at the time of the Crimean war, when, allied with England in the treaty of 1856, which was confirmed by the treaty of Berlin, she favored the prohibition of warships passing the straits.

Italy—Notwithstanding the intimate relations between the houses of Savoy and Romanoff, this government has no reason to change from the attitude assumed in the Crimean war, in which Piedmont participated as the ally of England.

The Italian Anglophile feeling is voiced tonight by the Tribuna, a leading government paper, which calls Admiral Rojestvensky "a lunatic," adding that if complete and prompt satisfaction is not given, war will be inevitable.

Berlin, Oct. 27.—Russia has not yet sounded Germany in regard to the unlocking of the Dardanelles by international consent so that the Black Sea fleet may issue forth. The foreign office, in making this reply to the Associated Press inquiry, says it is not aware of such intention on the part of Russia, though, of course, it does not know whether representations have been made to other governments. The foreign office in advance of such a request, has nothing further to say on the subject.

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British Indignant At Insane Story

Russian Admiral's Version of Outrage Treated With Greatest Scorn.

Accused of Manufacturing Tale to Excuse Panic of Officers.

London, Oct. 28—Notwithstanding the diplomatic check in consequence of Admiral Rojestvensky's report it is evident that Great Britain is preparing for the possibility of war. Tremendous activity is reported from all dockyards, where vessels under repair are being made ready for sea under urgent orders from the admiralty. At Cardiff it is stated that admiralty agents are securing great quantities of coal for Gibraltar, Portsmouth, Malta and other ports and paying high freights. The Mediterranean fleet is hastening in the direction of Gibraltar, and it is announced that the Channel squadron with decks cleared will leave Gibraltar this morning, its alleged object being a "sham attack on the rock." The home fleet likewise is concentrating. In fact, almost the entire British navy is pointed in the direction of the Baltic fleet, a portion of which is expected to sail from Vigo during today.

Perhaps the most significant development is the cabinet meeting which is called for noon today. While the call was issued prior to the receipt of Rojestvensky's report, which changed the situation considerably and appears to place some of the burden of proof on Great Britain, the meeting undoubtedly marks the reaching of a serious stage.

While up to the present time the government has maintained an almost complete silence with regard to the progress of the affair, it is considered almost certain that Premier Balfour, who will make a speech at Portsmouth tonight, will after a convention with the entire cabinet, be in a position to make some definite announcement. Public sentiment, which hitherto has kept under remarkable control, will hardly stand the passing of another day and especially because of the opportunity offered by Mr. Balfour's appearance on the platform without some satisfactory explanation being made.

It might be said that yesterday was the first time that any real excitement was exhibited on the part of the public. Early editions of the afternoon papers calculated to arouse the most intense national feeling, positively announced that a time limit had been set for Russia's reply and that the cabinet had been called to assemble immediately. This brought out a crowd in Downing street, but it quickly dispersed upon learning that Mr. Balfour had not arrived from Hatfield house and that they were 24 hours ahead of time.

Admiral Rojestvensky's report seemed to stagger almost everyone. Its statements were met with incredulity and apparently the reply was regarded as merely an adroit counter in order to get in line. The drift of the admiral's telegrams are calculated to inflame instead of appease the British feeling.

"He endeavored to spare the trawlers and ceased to fire as soon as the torpedo boats were out of sight," together with the virtual accusation of complicity with the supposed Japanese torpedo boats against the fishermen is hardly likely to reconcile an angry nation to the investigation.

"How much longer," is the burden of the newspaper editorial articles this morning, commenting on the continued delay of the Russian government, and story Admiral Rojestvensky presents story of Admiral Rojestvensky presents in defence of his action. Little disposition is displayed to listen, for a moment, seriously to the admiral's story.

Some St. Petersburg special correspondents even go so far as to suggest the explanation "home manufactured." The most serious of the morning newspapers confess that the country is under the shadow of war and that the word is now with Russia.

The Standard editorially describes Rojestvensky's whole story as the creation of a disordered imagination, bearing its refutation on its face, and says: "For Russia to enter a controversy with England on the basis of such a tissue of miscounts can only lead to trouble."

The Daily Telegraph says: "If the admiral believes his own story all that can be said is that the sooner he returns home and is looked after, the better it will be for himself, his family and his country."

These extracts well represent the opinion of the country and the press. The fact that the second Pacific squadron appears to have fired on vessels of varied nationality is regarded as proving that its officers were in a condition of nervous panic rendering the squadron a danger to the world's commerce.

According to the Daily Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent, Admiral Rojestvensky received from the admiralty in code secret instruction, not only authorizing but obliging him to call upon all ships approaching too close or otherwise arousing suspicions, but that foreign governments were not notified of these instructions.

At Hull, where the simplicity of the funeral rites over the bodies of the victims, was in strong contrast to the deep feeling displayed by the enormous concourse of public mourners. Admiral Rojestvensky's statement is dismissed as absolutely inaccurate and unworthy of the slightest consideration. The fishermen are emphatic in declaring that it can be proved beyond doubt that there are no Japanese torpedo boats in the vicinity of the Dogger Bank. Further, they point out that the second Pacific squadron was thirty miles out of its proper course, with the result that the vessels steamed into the midst of the trawlers, and this is the only foundation, they assert, for the allegation that the transport Anatol was surrounded by unknown vessels.

At Cardiff, it is stated that German vessels loading coal for Russian account are said to be hastening their departure for fear of an outbreak of war which will result in an embargo being placed on the export of coal.

Fiume, Hungary, Oct. 27.—The division of the British Mediterranean squadron now here has received urgent orders from the admiralty to unite with the division anchored at Botal, Austria, and to continue their voyage eastward.

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The apparent contradiction between the statements emanating from St. Petersburg and the understanding here as to whether Great Britain has demanded the punishment of those responsible for the North Sea anair, arises from the fact that while no demands have been submitted by Ambassador Hardinge in St. Petersburg, foreign Minister Lansdowne, in conversation with Count Beuckendorff, has laid down the proposition which to all intents and purposes are just as much in the nature of demands as if they had been specifically formulated, but would only become demands in the strictly diplomatic sense when formulated and presented.

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VANCOUVER HOLD-UP CASE DISMISSED

Two Prisoners Acquitted — The Great Northern to Build to Ladners.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Oct. 27.—The sensational Quann hold-up case was concluded tonight, the prisoners, Hogan and McDonald, being acquitted. This afternoon, when it was attempted to prove that Hogan bought at A. E. Lee's store the ulster which was found at the scene of the hold-up, Justice Duff asked the clerk who had sold the ulster to try it on Hogan in court. This was done, and the clerk said that the ulster was too tight for the man he had sold it to, while it was too loose for Hogan. This broke down the only bit of evidence that appeared against the accused at the trial. The defence made two startling suggestions. The first was that, as a woman's raincoat was found close to the cached money and that as the bandit had a squeaky voice, it was a woman who presented the gun at Quann's head. The other was that Quann himself arranged to be held up and thus deceive his creditors and his partners and enable him to retain the winnings at the races, amounting to several thousand dolalrs.

The Province publishes a story tonight that seems well authenticated. It reports that the Great Northern is to build from Liverpool, opposite New Westminster, to Ladners, along the Fraser river.

The coroner's jury in the case of the death of the Chinese child killed by a tram car, brought in a verdict of accidental death, with no one to blame.

Four candidates were nominated today—R. B. Ellis, Conservative; John Mortimer, Socialist; Jas. McGeer, Independent; R. G. Macpherson, Liberal.

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TUG SEA LION SINKS THE MAINLANDER

In Collision off West Point and the Steamer Is Badly Cut.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 27.—The tug Sea Lion and the steamer Mainlander were in collision off West Point this afternoon about 6 o'clock. Full details of the catastrophe have not been received up to midnight, but it is already well established that no lives were lost. The Sea Lion struck the Mainlander on the port side and cut her hard. At last accounts she had sunk to her upper decks. All the people were taken off the Mainlander by the Sea Lion. There was no sea running at the time of the collision.

ROYALTY IN CAPTIVITY.

France detains as prisoners of State in Algeria both the Emperor of Annam and the Queen of Madagascar, while in Martinique she keeps imprisoned the King of Dahomey. King Prempeh of Ashantee, along with his numerous wives, the Queen's mother, and his children, are prisoners of Great Britain on the Seychelles Islands.

The savage King of Benin has taken the place of the great Napoleon as another of England's royal captives on the Island of St. Helena, and in addition to these two African potentates Great Britain has several Indian rulers under detention since the loss of their thrones on the ground of misconduct. They are all well treated, and, in fact, except for the loss of liberty and the sense of restraint the lot of royal prisoners, be they white or colored, is by no means unpleasant. True, they are behind bars. But then the bars are gilded.

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Incredulous Stories of the North Sea Outrage Concocted by Russians.

St. Petersburg Naval Authorities Now Make an Official Report.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 28.—The naval general staff publishes the following two despatches from Vice Admiral Rojestvensky:

First despatch—"The North sea incident was caused by two torpedo boats advancing to attack without lights under darkness against the vessel leading the detachment. When the detachment turned on its searchlights and opened fire, the presence of several small steamboats, resembling fishing boats, were discovered. The detachment endeavored to spare these, and ceased firing as soon as the torpedo boats were out of sight. The English press is indignant because a torpedo boat left by the detachment on the spot until morning did not aid the victims. Now, there was not a single torpedo boat near the detachment and none was left behind, consequently the vessel remaining near the small boats was that torpedo boat which was not sunk, but only damaged. The detachment did not aid the little steamboats because we suspected them of complicity on account of their obstinately cutting into the order of the positions of our vessels. Several of them showed no lights, and others only very late."

Second despatch—"Having met several hundred fishing boats, the squadron showed them every consideration, except when they were in company with foreign torpedo boats, one of which disappeared, while the other, according to the fishers' evidence, remained among them until morning. They supposed it was a Russian and were indignant because it did not aid the victims, but it was a foreigner that remained until morning, seeking the other torpedo boat as consorts, either to repair damage or through fear of betraying itself to those who were not its accomplices. If there were also on the spot fishermen imprudently dragged into the enterprise, I beg, in the name of the whole squadron, to express my sincere regret to the unfortunate victims of circumstances under which no warship, even in the time of peace, would have done otherwise."

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BANKS CONSOLIDATE.

Chicago, Oct. 27.—The purchase of the National Bank of North America by the Continental National is announced and is effective at once. With the consolidation of the banks, the Continental will take rank as the second largest national bank in Chicago. The combined deposits will be over $55,000,000.

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NEW YORK'S SUBWAY.

New York, Oct. 27—New York's great underground railway, the latest step in the movement toward rapid transit for the old city, was formally declared open and ready for business today. The last shovelful of earth has been turned, the last rivet set and the roadbed, rails and cars and mechanism has been inspected and pronounced in perfect condition by experts who had watched the growth of the subway from the beginning to its completion.

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VICTORIAN TAKEN BY THE RUSSIANS

Edward McNeil Hunter on a Jap Schooner Tells of Misadventure.

Mrs. McNeill, of No. 2 Parry street, James bay, has received a letter from her son, Edward, who was a hunter on the Japanese sealing schooner Koichi Maru, stating that the vessel was sunk by a Russian transport and the crew taken to Russia last August. This is the only letter which has been received from the fleet.

Edward McNeill is a brother of Wm. McNeill, of this city, and is a Victoria boy. He is a splendid specimen of manhood, being over six feet in height and weighing 280 pounds. His letter is as follows:

"Koborosk, Russia,
"Sept. 3rd, 1904.

"Just a few lines, hoping to find you well and to let you know that I have arrived here safe and sound. I suppose you will be surprised to hear from me here in Russia, but please do not worry yourself about me. I am quite well and am being treated fine. The fact of the matter is this: A Russian transport happened to find us in the Okotsk sea, and, after removing all those that were on board to the transport, they sunk the schooner. Myself and three more boats were away from the schooner at the time. After she had finished with the schooner she came looking for us. After finding us, they took us on board and treated us very kindly. As soon as I was taken on board I was shown to a good stateroom and was told it was for my own use. After this she steamed away and I was told that we would be landed at Nikoliosk. We landed there August 21st. From there we were sent up the Amur river to this place. Here we will wait an investigation. After that we will be shipped back to Yokohama.

"The cold weather will soon set in here. I lost the best and largest part of my clothing, which was in my trunk on board the schooner when she was sunk. So far the Russians have been very kind to us, and I am glad to say that I have nothing to complain of yet. The only difficulty is none of us can speak Russian, so it makes it hard for us to get along.

"I suppose the owners will be surprised when they hear about their schooner being sunk. If they don't hear about us by the end of October they will be getting anxfous about us."

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JAPS IN UNITED STATES ARMY.

It may not be generally known that the United States army of the future will include a command of Japanese soldiers, but this is a fact. They will not come from the armies which are fighting in the Far East, but will be enrolled from our Japanese citizens in the Sandwich Islands. It is needless to say that a very large portion of the population of the islands, and especially of Honolulu, is composed of this nation. They are found among the bankers, merchants and professional men, and are included among the wealthiest residents of the city.

One of the principal schools in Honolulu is attended exclusively by Japanese children, and here have been enrolled a command of cadets which is to be mustered into the United States militia as soon as its members are old enough. It is drilled by a former Japanese army officer, and although organized but a few years ago this batallion has already attained a high standard of efficiency. It is frequently seen on parade in Honolulu and attracts much attention.

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ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Chatham, Ont., Oct. 27.—John Pidgeon, of Chatham township, has been accidentally shot while duck shooting at Bear creek.

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CHURCH STRUCK BY LIGHTNING

St. John, N. B., Oct. 27.—The Church of the Assumption (Roman Catholic), in the west side of St. John, was struck by lightning yesterday afternoon and destroyed. Loss, $50,000; insurance, $15,000.

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SEIZED BY EAGLE.

Small Boy Has Narrow Escape From a Fearful Death.

St. John, N. B., Oct. 27.—Word comes from Lorneville, twelve miles west of the city, that a lad of nine years, son of James Ferguson, a farmer, while playing with a dog at his father's house was seized by an eagle. The lad was carried some distance, when he fell from the eagle's claws. The bird tried to pick him up again, but the dog put up a fight against the bird until the father came to the rescue. The boy was badly torn and somewhat bruised but was not permanently injured.

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RECALCITRANT GRITS QUIETLY DISAPPEAR

Three Candidates in Wright Take to Tall Timbers Before Laurier.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Oct. 27.—The ignominious backdown of the three Liberal candidates at Wright, the constituency of Premier Laurier, has caused great amusement to local Conservatives. The fact that the prime minister is the nominee of the Liberals does not discourage Labell and his friends. On the contrary it will simply inspire them to greater efforts to win the county for Borden. The knowledge that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, if elected in Wright, would not sit for that county, is a powerful lever in the hands of the Conservatives and they will use it to good advantage. At the nomination proceedings today Devlin, Goyette and Barrette were kept busy explaining why they quit.

In Ottawa Belcourt and Stewart were nominated for the Liberals and Birkett and Champagne for the Conservatives. Stewart announced his belief that the auditor-general should have ample powers and said the government was now prepared to concede this.

The Supreme court today reserved judgment in the British Columbia appeal of Bailey vs. Gates.

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ANOTHER BATTLE NOT EXPECTED FOR DAYS

Activity Displayed in Japanese Lines but no Serious Fighting Reported

Mukden, Oct. 27.—The artillery firing on the Russian left, which began yesterday and lasted during the night, has spread south.

The weather has again cleared up and is much better for active operations. Suspicious movements of the Japanese have been observed west of the railroad. The Chinese say positively that the Japanese are preparing to turn the Russian right or break through the easy points of the line.

News has just been received here that the Japanese assumed the offensive on the east front and made a slight advance.

It is rumored that the Japanese have taken all the Russian positions at Erdagou, between Huansian and Finispu on the road from Mukden to Bentsiaputze, but this has not been confirmed and looks improbable.

There was a reconnaissance in force last night by the Russian western flank and desultory firing continued till 2 o'clock a. m. The Japanese were discovered to be hurriedly fortifying along the whole line, but this does not, of course, preclude the possibility of an attack by them. It is the general opinion here that serious events will not develop for some days.

This morning occasional shots were heard on the western front. The whole army is delighted with the appointment of General Kuropatkin as commander-in-chief. The one idea among the men is to advance. There is every indication that when the next fight comes it will be of a desperate character.

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AT WASHINGTON.

Diplomats Are Not Alarmed at the European Situation.

Washington, Oct. 27.—Diplomats in Washington view the Russian-British situation with unusual complacency even after reading the London despatch telling of the extreme state of public feeling there. Inquiry at the embassies develops the fact that the chancelleries of Europe are not yet alarmed at the situation as the European ambassadors and ministers at Washington are not receiving advices on the subject with the exception, of course, of Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, and even he has not yet learned of the official explanation of Rear Admiral Rojestvensky.

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FRANCE IS ALARMED.

Authorities Are Doing Their Best to Secure Better Understanding.

Paris, Oct. 27.—The gravity of the Anglo-Russian situation excites the most serious consideration at the foreign office here and in governmental quarters generally. M. Cambon, the French ambassador at London, is keeping the authorities constantly advised. It is expected that Premier Balfour will make an important declaration during his speech tomorrow night. The advices reaching here concerning the reported moderation of the British official opinion are not reassuring. Therefore the authorities are doing their utmost to secure a Russian explanation and hope that this will have a calming influence before Mr. Balfourr's declartion is made. The understanding here is that the Premier's attitude is likely to be decisive unless the situation improves before tomorrow. A leading official said: "Russia does not want to be placed in the same category as Turkey, who is compelled to accept what the foreign powers dictate." Official advices from St. Petersburg indicate that Russia is desirous of making ample amends, but is not desirous of being forced to a precipitate conclusion.

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ONLY FIT FOR THE BENCH.

Not long ago an old man was called into the witness-box at an Irish court, and, being old and just a little blind, he went too far, in more than one sense, and, instead of going up the stairs that led to the box, mounted those that led to the bench. Said the judge, good-humoredly, "Is it a judge you want to be, my good man?" "Ah, shure, your Honor!" was the reply. "I'm an ould man now, and mebbe it's all I'm fit for!" The judge had no reply ready.

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F. A. Pollock, Quatsino; C. Tiernan and W. M. J. Boyle, Uchucklesit, registered at the Dominion yesterday.

Hospital Ball A Great Success

A Brilliant Local Event at the Assembly Hall Last Night.

Fine Decorations and a Sumptuous Supper Contribute to Crowd's Enjoyment.

Assembly hall was the scene last evening of the annual ball in behalf of the funds of the Royal Provincial Jubilee hospital, and the funtion may be classed quite safely and without exaggeration as the best annual hospital ball ever held in Victoria. That was the consensus of opinion; all who were present were unanimous that previous efforts had been far surpassed and an entirely new standard set up.

To the committee in charge of the decorations very hearty congratulations are due on the result of their efforts.

Nothing better has ever been seen at any public gathering in this city than the decorations of Assembly hall last night. Had a committee of artists or color scheme specialists been engaged it is doubtful if they could have equaled the results achieved by the hospital ball committee in transforming Assembly hall into a veritable scene of fairyland.

The main scheme was the laying out of the floor as a vast oval, at the four corners of which had been placed resting and lounging booths, furnished in sumptuous fashion with gorgeous rugs and carpets, elegantly upholstered chairs, settees and divans, made cosy with soft cushions of exquisite colors. The orchestra (Fifth Regiment) occupied the right hand corner entering, where they discoursed in comfort and amid elegance and comfort the strains that enlivened the happy dancers, the four corners could not be excelled for their arrangement and elegance. They resembled parts of the drawing rooms of a great mansion. Portieres of richly varied shades lent an Oriental touch of piquancy to the effect.

Electric lights in delicately-tinted shades shed a flood of soft radiance over the highly polished floor. On the walls were displayed banners and bunting amidst festoons of evergreens and wreaths of beautiful flowers. At the farther end of the hall were the buffet and luncheon room, a dream of loveliness with its shaded lamps, its silver and damask, and skillfully prepared cold dishes laid out awaiting the attack of the hungry dancers.

Here the decorative committee had exhausted its artistic ingenuity in securing a triumph of elegant comfort. The place looked exceedingly tempting to the onlooker, and it must have seemed irresistible to the dancers who came along later to partake of the delicacies on the groaning tables. The symbol of mercy, the Helvetian red cross, was neatly done in highly ornamental fashion on the rear walls; a similar device picked out with small electric light globes adorning the other end of the dance room.

As already noted the decorations of Assembly hall last night must be classed as the finest of their kind ever attempted in Victoria, and all honor is due to the able committee who were responsible for the work.

The dancing commenced about 9 o'clock, there being twenty items on the programme not including extra's and numerous encores, which whiled away the hours until the early morn. The floor was in excellent condition and the music furnished by the Fifth Royal Regiment was as usual the very best. The following ladies had charge of the ball: Mrs. Goodrich, Mrs. G. H. Barnard, Mrs. Rocke Robertson, Mrs. E. G. Prior, Mrs. Richard McBride, Mrs. A. W. Jones, Mrs. Henry Croft, Mrs. Robert Day, Mrs. Templeman, Mrs. C. W. Rhodes, Mrs. Albert Griffiths, Mrs. Ford Verrinder, Mrs. James A. Douglas, Mrs. Rowland Machin, Mrs. J. R. Anderson, Mrs. Goulding Wilson, Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Mrs. R. E. Brett, Mrs. W. Brodrick, Mrs. W. Dalby, Mrs. Thomas Lee, Mrs. Frank Hannington, Mrs. Frank Watkis, Mrs. Robin Dunsmuir, Mrs. C. E. Redfern, Mrs. Dickinson, Mrs. Thomas Watson, Mrs. Simpson, Mrs. Edward Hasell.

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Maccabees' Social.—The social which will be given at the residence of Mrs. S. A. Spencer, 288 Yates street, this evening, under the auspices of the Maccabees of Victoria West, will be a thoroughly enjoyable one. In addition to the views by Mr. Hastings, a musical programme will be given by Mrs. Briggs, Mrs. Clyde, Mrs. R. S. Stephens, Miss Hooker and Miss Dyer. There will be an admission fee of 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children. The entertainment will be open not only to the members of the society but to the public.

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COOTE-HARRISON—At St. James' church, London, Ont., on the 20th October, inst., by the Very Rev. the Dean of Huron, J. Colborne Coote of London, son of the late J. B. Coote, Esq., to Eunice B. Harrison, eldest daughter of His Honor Judge Harrison and Mrs. Harrison.

DIED.

LAWSON—In this city on the 26th instant Abram Walter Lawson, a native of Ontario. Aged 58 years

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Adding Insult To the Injury

Senator Templeman Scored for Rude Reference to Peoples' Representatives.

Capt. Wolley Had a Successful Meeting at Metchosin Last Night.

The voters and ladies of Metchosin turned out in force to the meeting held there last night in the interest of Capt. Clive Phillips-Wolley, the Liberal-Conservative candidate. The speakers besides Capt. Wolley were the Hon. R. F. Green, chief commissioner of lands and works; Mr. C. E. Pooley and Mr. H. D. Helmcken, K. C. Mr. Fisher presided.

Capt. Wolley was the first speaker and was accorded a warm reception. He dealt briefly and clearly with the principal issues of the campaign, laying special stress on the importance to the province of securing better terms, financially, with the Dominion, and the injustice accorded British Columbia in this and other matters by the Laurier administration. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the local representative, Mr. Templeman, had plainly shown that the province had nothing to hope in the way of better terms from the Liberals, and Mr. Templeman had added insult to injury by insulting the provincial government, the chosen representatives of the people of British Columbia. Capt. Wolley explained the main features in the railway policies of Mr. R. L. Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The first, a policy that would develop Canada, and the latter one that would enrich a band of railway promoters and divert the trade of the Northwest to the United States. Coming to a matter of local interest, Capt. Wolley ridiculed the claim of Mr. Ralph Smith to any honor in the matter of securing licenses for fish traps. This measure, he said, had been advocated for years by the Conservatives, and licenses had only been granted just prior to the elections as a bid for votes. Some of those present would remember that he had come down in 1901 and advocated fish traps and Mr. Smith opposed them. He had advocated the establishment of traps, both in the Colonist and in British newspapers, as a set-off to the American methods. As usual, the Liberals had adopted this policy from the Conservatives, and then claimed it as their own. (Applause.)

The Hon. R. F. Green complimented Capt. Wolley on the large attendance of the residents at his meeting, which, he said, augured well for his success at the poll. He wished ot appeal to the people of Metchosin to vote for Capt. Wolley not, as he had said, for himself, but as the candidate of the Conservative party. He would not appeal for support on the past record of the party—although that was one of which all Conservatives were proud (Hear, hear)—but rather on the issues now presented to the electorate. These were sufficiently serious to merit exclusive consideration. The railway question already had been dealt with and the attitude of Mr. Blair, who had resigned from the cabinet and denounced the terms of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's contract, was sufficient to show that there was something very wrong about the agreement. Mr. Green exposed the vacillating policy of the Liberals in regard to the tariff and showed how, in one of the few cases, in which the Dominion government could have assisted British Columbia, namely, in the lumber industry, the helping hand had been withheld. In regard to better terms, his colleague, Mr. Wilson, and he had recently gone to Ottawa and had asked the members for British Columbia to meet them and discuss the matter. At that meeting Mr. Ralph Smith had declined to assist, saying: "Oh, you Tories are going to use this as a party cry," although it had been clearly explained that there was no such intention. In any event Mr. Smith, as a representative from the province, should have done all he could to secure just treatment for the province. (Hear, hear.) Mr. Green scored Senator Templeman for his insulting attitude towards the provincial government, which had appealed to the people and been sustained—which was more than Senator Templeman ever had been able to accomplish. (Cheers.) In conclusion, he said that his colleagues and he received numerous advices from Eastern Canada, and he believed that the Conservatives would win, and that Capt. Wolley would be found among the victors. (Applause.)

Mr. C. E. Pooley, who was received with applause, also referred to Senator Templeman's remarkable attitude towards the demand of the province for "better terms," and pointed out that Senator Templeman had opposed an amendment to the railway contract moved in the Senate by Senator Macdonald to ensure the construction of the British Columbia section of the Grand Trunk Pacific from the Pacific coast—a matter of the greatest importance to the province. Mr. Pooley said that if the Liberals were returned to power the railway company would have British Columbia at its mercy, and would surely endeavor to hold up the provincial government for further subsidies, and if these were not forthcoming the construction of the British Columbia section might be postponed indefinitely. He appealed to the electors of the district to give Capt. Wolley a big majority.

Mr. H. D. Helmcken was the last speaker. He touched on the various issues of the election and pointed out that in regard to fish traps, the granting of licenses was left to the discretion of the minister, and their tenure was only for one year, which gave no security to the licensee, although it added to the "patronage" of the Minister of marine and fisheries.

A vote of confidence in Capt. Wolley was passed unanimously, and after a vote of thanks to the chairman, the meeting closed with the singing of the national anthem.



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WHY THE JAPANESE WIN.

A Philological Reason for Russia's Defeats in the Field.

An important reason why the Japanese plans of campaign have been carried out with almost mathematical precision, while those of the Russians have apparently been badly arranged, is that the Japanese have taken the trouble to acquire the common medium—the Chinese language—for the obtaining of information. The lesson is a most serious one to the British nation, which treats with proverbial contempt all other modern languages than its own.

The Russians, who are almost born linguists as far as European tongues are concerned, have, with rare exceptions, failed most seriously as regards "Mandarin" Chinese, which is the one spoken language of Manchuria. The following may be adduced as the chief causes of failure. First, though the ultimate object was the absorption of this rich country, the process was to be quiet and gradual. The Boxer outbreak precipitated the event, and suddenly the whole prize was in her grasp, with almost no Russians able to speak the language of the people. Efforts were made to train men in the Institute for Eastern Languages at Vladivostock, but only a few students have hitherto proved practically efficient. Further, everything has been so unsettled that but a small number of those Russians in the country have even attempted to master Chinese, finding it, as many Englishmen on the coast do, easier to muddle along with the wretched "pidgin jargon," which may be sufficient for running a household, but is not so when matters of grave importance are at stake.

The Russian railway constructors engaged a number of the Chinese who could speak "pidgin Russian" and who, for various motives, had settled in Russian territory. These, as a rule, were an utterly unprincipled set, who, as all natives do, formed cliques or secret guilds, which made it almost impossible for any but their own kith and kin to become interpreters. The primary consequence was that there were continuous and bitter complaints from the common people that they were always being unmercifully cheated by these, as they regarded them, traitors to their country, who, however, were rarely loyal to their employers. Thus, while the Russians spent, for the same purposes, far more money than the English engineers on the Imperial Chinese lines, the former are hated, while the latter, owing largely to their selection of a better class of assistants, and even more to their careful attention to the direct disbursement of funds, are greatly respected. "If these English railway constructors would only learn to speak our language," say the people, "our relations with them would be perfect." The few Russians who can speak Chinese are always much sought after.

The Chinese language, according to Stent's valuable vocabulary and that great work, Giles's Dictionary, is, written in Romanized letters, only 408 words, with many to the non-native ear almost imperceptible tones, breathings, and other modulations of the voice. It is, therefore, simply impossible to write anything but common, everyday matters, of which the meaning can be understood from the context, in any other form than that of the Chinese ideographs, of which many thousands are in common use, each with a definite meaning. Thus, all official documents in the diplomatic departments in Peking are most carefully written in Chinese ideographs, and the British consular service owes much of its power to the fact that all of its members are Chinese scholars.

To write Chinese with Roman letters is bad enough, but with the Slavonic it is confusion itself. One person will write a name one way, and another, with a slightly different ear, will write the same word with other letters; and, unless one's tongue is already accustomed to pronouncing Chinese, no other person will reproduce them so as to be really understood by any native, unless, perhaps, his own servant. The Russians, therefore, have held on most tenaciously to their evil genius, the low-class native interpreter, as to the lesser of two evils. Never quite certain of the names of localities, or even as to the descriptions of places, hills, rivers, etc., unless very well known, they have been constantly in difficulties. Add to these that, with rare exceptions, the natives would enjoy deliberately misleading the Russians, while their regular interpreters would not hesitate to play them false, and it is easy to see at what disadvantage they have been placed. The astute native villager, under the guise of dense stupidity, will most cleverly find out the intentions of the "Maotzu" or "hairy rebel," as the Russian is termed, especially by his own native employees, and most willingly hand the knowledge on to the Japanese.

Again, the ordinary Russian soldier, having but a very poor education, cannot compare for intelligent work with the Japanese private, who has in most cases been to an up-to-date school and learned to read and write the Chinese characters, and can thus find out definitely and correctly every item of information he may require. He, as the natives would not purposely mislead him, is not in doubt as to the exact distances or the names of the smallest places.—London Times.

CATS IN A BOMBARDMENT.

A lady who was in Port Arthur during the bombardments ordered by Admiral Togo, has described the curious effect produced by the cannonade on cats. "I was at my window during each bombardment," she has related, "but only through the day, because at night I did not dare stir out of bed. In front of me there was a little roof, on which five or six cats of the neighborhood collected. Each time there was a bombardment the cats daly arrived, and, having observed them, I on the second occasion proceeded to watch them. At each gunshot the cats arched their backs and stiffened their legs, and seemed both terrified and furious. Then, when a hissing shell arrived it gave the signal for a frightful battle. They jumped at each other, raging like tigers, and seemed to hold each other responsible for what was taking place. The effect was so comical that we could not help laughing, although the occasion did not inspire gayety. After having fought, the cats retired for a while, as though bewildered, but as soon as the bombardment commenced again they went through the same business. Each time it was the same."—Leslie's Weekly.

The Selections of the Socialists

A Big Gathering of the Aggressive Party at A. O. U. W. Hall.

The Principles of Socialism Propounded by Some Professionals.

The Socialists had their biggest meeting of the campaign at A. O. U. W. Hall last night, and among the gathering was a good sprinkling of ladies. The hall was decorated with mottoes significant of the party. Over the main entrance it was set forth in big letters that "Watters Will Win." Inside the sentiments were equally prominent—"Ballots, Not Bullets"; "Reason and Brains vs. Free Beer and Cigars"; "Right and Justice Must Prevail"; "We Demand for the Worker the Full Product of His Toil"; and the announcement that "Scotland nominates sixty labor candidates; forty of these are Socialists." Socialistic literature was also distributed at from five cents to one dollar per lot, according to size.

The chairman in opening the meeting welcomed those present as the largest gathering of Socialists held in Victoria. Last year they cast many Socialist votes at the election, but this year they would do much better. The Socialist party was the party of the working man, and was worthy of support.

The two other candidates had been invited to attend the meeting, but, of course, they did not accept the challenge, nor had they said a single word at any of their meetings in support of the working man. Col. Prior and George Riley represented the capitalist, and as such were opposed to the interests of labor. The chairman concluded by reading the platform of his party.

Mr. Marcon was the first speaker called upon. He read a letter from Col. Prior, giving as his reason for not attending the meeting that the system of joint meetings during a political campaign had been discontinued. Mr. Riley, when invited verbally, replied: "I am no speaker; I am not a debator; I don't understand the question." The speaker ridiculed the idea of sending such a man as Mr. Reilly to parliament—a man who admittedly could not speak and did not understand public questions. Continuing, he appealed for support for the Socialist candidate.

Mr. J. C. Watters, the nominee of the party, was next speaker. He proceeded to denounce his opponents and to refer contemptuously to some of the campaign literature now in circulation. On the subject of protection he contended that it did no good for the working man, and in support of his statement referred to highly protected United States, Germany and free trade England. On the subject of emigration, he argued that it was the old political parties' policy to keep the labor market over-stocked, so that labor would be cheap. "There is no prosperity for the working man—no time, nor never," added the speaker. "Under Liberal rule we are told that we are at the high water mark of prosperity. What will it mean when we reach the low water mark? You are asked to return to power Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Why? Because he is the smartest man in the Dominion at keeping the wool pulled over the eyes of the working man."

At considerable length Mr. Watters reviewed the Socialist platform, laying great stress on its various points. He maintained that the building of the Grand Trunk Pacific would be of no advantage to the working man of this district, for instance, because the moment a demand was created for labor hundreds of idle men would swarm in and flood the market, making the condition of the laborer more miserable and competition keener.

In conclusion Mr. Watters described the Socialist party as the makers, not the takers, of wealth—the robbed, not the robbers.

The chairman introduced Mr. E. T. Kingsley as one of the best workers in the Socialist cause.

Mr. Kingsley started off by stating that the reporters present might save their elbow grease, as should they report him, their publishers would not use their report. He then proceeded to rattle off, at a great rate, a tirade of abuse at "capitalists," and also get in some hard nuts at labor, slaves, suckers, political henchmen, packages of labor power walking on two legs, dirty labor skates, labor-skimmers, grasshoppers, etc. The Senate at Ottawa the speaker described as a "blasted lot of humbugs—an old man's home." For years, he said, he had gone to the polls and voted for the capitalistic class, but when he understood the evil of his ways, his fearful stupidity, although the best looking man on the face of the earth, he had ever since been ashamed to gaze into a looking-glass, and regretted he had not the power to kick himself off the earth. Mr. Kingsley's cutting sarcasm and humorous hits proved very effective and in turn elicited the laughter and hearty applause of his auditors.

The meeting broke up shortly before 11 o'clock.

Speaking roughly, we have reason, from the data so far available, to believe that the stars of the Milky Way are situated at a distance between 100,000,000 and 200,000,000 times the distance from the sun. At distances less than this it seems likely that the stars are distributed through space with some approach to uniformity. We may state, as a general conclusion, indicated by several methods of making the estimate, that nearly all the stars which we can see with our telescopes are contained within a sphere not likely to be much more than 200,000,000 times the distance of the sun.

The inquiring reader may here ask another question. Granting that all the stars we can see are contained within this limit, may there not be any number of stars without the limit which are invisible only because they are too far away to be seen.

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A SHAKESPEAREAN TREAT.

A Good Thing in Store for Theatre-Goers Next Week.

The date of November 5th has been held at the Victoria Theatre for some months for the possible coming of Florence Gale and her Shakespearean company in the much advertised comedy of "As You Like It."

Mr. William Colvin of the firm of Kane, Shipman & Colvin, of the New York Theatre, will arrive in the city some time today to ascertain the possibility of securing a representative audience.

This charming comedy has not been presented here for over twenty years, and it is only by the assurance of liberal patronage that the date will now be filled.

Miss Gale has many noted players in her company personelle, including eight of the Daly theatre company of last season. The Woodland quartette, and English glee singers aptly introduce the incidental songs, interspersed with old English glees. George Sylvester, three years with Charles Frohman's Empire stock company and recently leading man for Grace George, is the "Orlando." "Jacques" is entrusted to Mr. Mark Price, an actor of note and experience, who has been associated with Booth, Barrett, McCullough, Cushman, and of more recent years Mary Anderson, Modjeska, Fanny Davenport, etc. In fact Mr. Price has played this identical part of "Jacques" in support of Mary Anderson, Julia Marlowe and one other of the famous "Rosalinds."

We understand that the sale of seats will be opened one day in advance for subscribers, and that but one performance will be given.

PERSONAL.

George S. B. Perry, for a number of years connected with the coast dailies and formerly a member of the Colonist staff, is in the city, a guest at the Vernon hotel. Mr. Perry has given up the "grind" of newspaper work and is now traveling representative for the Pacific Coast Pipe Co., Ltd., of Vancouver.

E. T. Kingsley, of Vancouver, came down from the mainland on the Princess Victoria yesterday evening.

Hugh McLean, of Vancouver, was a passenger by the Princess Victoria from the mainland yesterday evening.

Major Dupont returned from Vancouver yesterday evening.

Prof. Donjour Jouty came down from Vancouver yesterday evening.

William McNeil returned yesterday evening from a brief visit to the mainland.

J. H. Lawson, Jr., was a passenger from the Sound by the Princess Beatrice yesterday afternoon.

Miss Winterbourne, of Seattle, is visiting Mrs. M. A. Wylde, 219 Fort street.

The many friends of James Byrns will be glad to hear that he is fast recovering from his recent illness.

Amongst the passengers on the Princess Victoria were two veteran lady missionaries, Miss Murray, en route to China, and who was injured in the smash-up at Sintahlta, and Mrs. Grace Stott, author of "Twenty-one Years in China." Miss Murray has been in the hospital at Calgary ever since the accident, and speaks in highest praise of the kind and thoughtful treatment she has received from the C. P. R. officials. During their stay in town these ladies are the guests of Rev. A. Ewing, Menzies street.

W. N. Kenyon, Kennedy lake; J. M. Strowbridge and wife, Portland; W. W. Sanderson and wife, San Francisco; George R. Caine and wife, New York; N. Hepburn and wife, Dawson; N. S. Galloway and E. T. Williams, Seattle; Miss E. A. Bessey, New York; J. E. Hooker, Port Angeles; J. E. Johnson, Dawson; H. McLean, R. Potter, A. Park, Vancouver; Frank Johnson, Peoria, Ill.; and Mrs. B. Y. Kron and son, San Francisco, are at the Driard.

J. M. Hamilton, C. Gladwin and Geo. S. B. Perry are a Vancouver party registering at the Vernon yesterday.

H. H. Dawson and J. T. Gibson, Toronto; A. E. Bailey, San Francisco; A. D. Cleveland, St. Louis; W. G. Lester and A. H. Blackesland, New York; R. Wells, Mrs. A. E. Thorley, Vancouver; J. Mulholland, Vancouver; Donald Bird, Montreal; F. W. Hand, St. Catharines, Ont.; P. O. Bigger, Ottawa; T. H. Miller, Dawson; J. D. Laing, Montreal; D. H. Nelles, Grimsby, Ont., are late arrivals at the Driard.

"The County Chairman" company, which held the boards at the theatre last night, are registered at the Driard.

C. C. Riley, E. J. Conners, E. G. Bulson and H. Sells, Seattle; J. Barrington, Duncans, and J. A. Hyndman and wife, Vancouver, are guests at the Victoria.

NEW USE FOR BIG SUBWAY.

San Francisco Chronicle.

Already there are indications that the new subway in New York will be devoted to business as well as to transportation purposes, and that on a scale quite as extensive as the surface roadway overhead. In fact, the subway has created a new thoroughfare whose sides are as available for the location of shops and other business establishments as are those of the upper roadway. Doubtless this underground development will take place and become in time one of the attractions of the eastern metropolis. One large department store is now in course of construction on the subway level.

It has been planned to construct an arcade underneath the sidewalk of the surface street along which the fronts of the underground stores will be lined. Electric lighting and steel construction have made such a development easy in modern times. Not only will the novelty of the location of such establishments bring business to them, but they will doubtless become popular during hot and wet weather because of the welcome shade and shelter afforded by the covered way, and in extremely cold and snowy weather they will be equally attractive to the purchasing public for the same reason. Possibly the time is not very remote when a similar development will be made in some of our business thoroughfares, for subways are liable to become necessary here also to relieve the surface roadway of the congestion of travel.

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COUNTY CHAIRMAN IS A WINNER

George Ade's Clever Comedy Delights Large Audience Last Night.

Victoria opera house has not for a good while back resounded to the laughter of a merrier audience than that which enjoyed George Ade's splendid little masterpiece, "The County Chairman," last evening. Power, pathos and rich humor, here and there a soupcon of brilliantly witty comment that delighted the audience hugely, these were the distinguishing characteristics of this excellent piece. To take so unpromising a subject as an American political election and infuse into it so much intensely human feeling and interest is a feat of dramatic construction of which any playwright might bell be proud. Everything from beginning to end goes with a rush and a swing that leave one no time for criticism, only for laughter, and there is a laugh in every line. Theodore Roberts, as the County Chairman, rival of Judge Elias Rigby in the affections of Mary Leonard (Mrs. Rigby), fits the part to a nicety. A big-hearted, generous, rugged fellow, who, when the crucial point comes, rises to it like a man and sacrifices his long-awaited vengeance on his cringing, treacherous enemy to save the wife of that hated foe—the Mary Leonard of the war time—from pain and sorrow. The part of Rigby was strongly played by Mr. R. J. Dillon. Tilford Wheeler, his rival for the office of state's attorney, found a clever exponent in Mr. William Lamp. Mr. George Thatcher, as the colored official campaign bill-poster, was exceedingly good. Miss Florence Smythe, as Lucy Rigby, gave a capital interpretation of the part. The show last evening may be classed as the funniest and brightest that Victorians have had an opportunity of enjoying for many a day.

THE NATIONAL AUDIT.

Montreal Gazette.

Among the resolutions voted down in the House of Commons at the last session was one declaring that "the provisions of the consolidated Revenue and Audit Act should be so extended as to confer upon the Auditor-General powers ample in every respect to protect the public interest and to safeguard the public treasury."

The improper use of departmental checks for fraudulent purposes, to which attention was generally drawn last year, is only one of a number of evidences that there is room for an improvement of the law or of the machinery for carrying it out. At the last session of parliament a motion was made for a committee of inquiry as to what changes or improvements were necessary; but the government had no time to give to such matters, and the motion was rejected at the instance of the Prime Minister. Then the above resolution was offered. Its purpose was to draw public attention to the situation created by the minister's refusal to allow a committee to be appointed and to the need of an improvement. The resolution, like the motion for a committee, was voted down.

SIR RICHARD CARTWRIGHT'S FALL.

Montreal Gazette.

Sir Richard Cartwright, after making one speech in Winnipeg, it is announced, is to return home. His visit to the West was a failure, as it should have been. It may help him and his friends to understand that in politics his is a dead force. He has been losing ever since he became a minister. He saw a younger man with no experience outside of Nova Scotia given the Department of Finance, which he desired, and had to take a portfolio which he had denounced as being as useless as a fifth wheel to a coach. He abandoned every trade principle he had enunciated when an opposition critic, supported protective duties and extravagant expenditure, the Yukon railway job, the Dawson crookedness, and everything else that the evil element in his party forced it into. Then, at the bidding of "the machine," he appointed a procurer of perjury to an important office. There have been bad ministers and weak ministers. None, when called on to defend himself, ever met such a chilling reception from his own side as that which the House of Commons gave to him after his defence of his connection with the Jackson scandal. Everyone felt that his day was done; and his retirement to the Senate, which he used to denounce as a useless body, was regarded as the close of his career. At Winnipeg the people would not stay to hear all that he had to say. He is out of the lists, a moral and political failure; and he has none but himself to blame for it.

Chemainus Notes.—The Chinaman who was struck by the freight train near Somenos on Tuesday afternoon, died in the Chemainus hospital the same night. A farewell dance was given to Miss B. Halhed, who is shortly leaving for England on an extended visit. Rev. H. Purey of Toronto has arrived to take charge of the Baptist church in the Chemainus district. The British ship Ludfield is loading for Melbourne.

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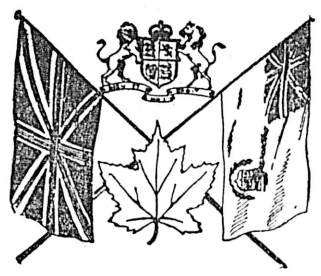
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A CAMPAIGN OF ABUSE.

Our opponents in this campaign have not depended upon arguments upon the issues of the day. Every time they are driven to the wall they resort to personal abuse of Colonel Prior or Sir Charles Tupper, or rather we should say, of the Tuppers, father and son; and of any other person prominent in the Conservative ranks who has happened to take the stump. We do not object to that course. It is rather welcome than otherwise, because it helps to make votes for the Liberal-Conservative candidates. The intelligent element of the community, which is a large one, duly appraises the value of abuse in a political campaign; and if it is influenced at all is influenced in a direction quite the opposite to that intended. Especially has personal invective been directed towards Sir Chas. Hibbert Tupper and his father, who are painted daily in the blackest of colors. Even if they were as black as painted, what their characters or their personality can have to do with the issues that are before the country, such as the Grand Trunk Pacific, or Better Terms, or the violation of former professions and pledges by the Liberal party or with any of the other matters, which are subjects of legitimate discussion in this campaign, is quite past our ability to conceive. As to Sir Charles Tupper, the elder, who has spent over fifty years in the service of his country, who has been Premier of Canada, who has represented Canada in Great Britain for years, who has been honored by Her Majesty for distinguished services, and who has passed into years that at least entitle him in private life to a respectful consideration, he should not, we think, be constantly referred to as the "great stretcher" and a "liar." Sir Charles the elder, has always been an optimist in respect to Canada, and it was his unbounded confidence in the future of the West, expressed exuberantly on the floor of the House of Commons and on the hustings, that earned for him the title of "great stretcher"; and in that connection, and in that sense, the title is no discredit to him. His constructive ability as a statesman and his hope in the future of Canada have materially assisted in the development we see today. Enthusiasm which produces such results is pardonable. In respect to his public record he has stated many times on the platform that while he had been abused perhaps more than any other public man in Canada, the charges have always been of a general character. He has challenged his opponents to place their finger on any single charge during office all these years that could be substantiated by proof. As for Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, he has many of the characteristics of his father, but he is in the prime of life, an active public man in our midst, and can look after himself. So with the others who have been attacked. It would not be difficult to deal with the Liberal candidate and some of his Liberal supporters after the same fashion; but it is not a desirable sort of campaign to carry on. As we have stated, in an intelligent community that kind of political pabulum only helps to make votes for the other side. What result it may have otherwise is to increase the contempt many have for politics and for politicians as a class.

REPRESENTATION IN THE CABINET.

We know what an agitation there was nine or ten years ago to have British Columbia represented in the Dominion Cabinet. When Colonel Prior entered the ministry it was charged that he was not a "full-fledged" minister, and great ado was made about it by Senator Templeman, most of all. Well, the Senator has been a Cabinet Minister without portfolio over two years. In that time he has been passed over at least three times, if not more, and still he meekly accepts the office, and, if we are to judge by results, with little or no voice in the affairs of the country. He has not been able to give effect to any of the things he advocated before his party went into power. Hon. Clifford Sifton has cunningly kept the West to himself, and ruled it in the exclusive interests of the country east of the Rockies and his grand army of Klondike camp followers who have plundered every good thing in sight.

What British Columbia wants is a strong representative in the Cabinet with a portfolio. Of all the candidates on the Liberal side there is not a single one of Cabinet timber. If the Liberals are returned Senator Templeman, who is only at Ottawa during the session, and is a member of the Senate not responsible to the people, will remain in his position without authority or force and a standing menace to the rights of the Province. Of the six Conservative candidates before the electors there is ample Cabinet material, and altogether a fighting force that would do credit to any province.

LABOR MEN FAVOR MR. BORDEN'S POLICY.

In a recent issue we pointed out that at the late session of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress the members placed on record its condemnation of the action of the Ontario Legislature in having broken every pledge made to organized labor previous to the last election.

The action of the Dominion Government was severely criticized, especially the railway and immigration policy, which was characterized as scandalous.

The Congress, after an animated debate on the recommendation of the committee on the President's address, went on record as being entirely in favor of the government ownership of railways and disapproved of the concessions made by the Government to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway.

We publish elsewhere the views of several leading representatives of labor in the Dominion on the subject of government ownership of railways, taken from the Montreal Star. Messrs. Flett, Carey and Wilson are all prominent in the cause of labor and their views in this connection are worthy of consideration. These men are quite outspoken in favor of the scheme Mr. Borden has adopted, and we have not the slightest doubt but that they reflect the views of the labor unions throughout the Dominion. As a general rule, Sir Wilfrid Laurier received the labor vote of Canada at the last general election. The changed attitude is significant.

TRAP FISHING AND SENATOR TEMPLEMAN.

Eight years ago, when Senator Templeman was before the electors of Victoria, he made a strong appeal on the question of fish traps, for not granting which he severely scored the Government in power. He, figuratively, tore his hair over the injustice which was thereby caused to the canners on this side of the line. His party has been eight years in power, and, so far, there has only been one trap license issued, and only one trap in operation on the Island of Vancouver, and that was constructed during the present year. There are serious doubts as to the legality of that license under the law as it stands. Minister Prefontaine brought in a bill last session to legalize trap fishing, and on account of the opposition of Mr. Aulay Morrison, withdrew it, stating that the law was sufficient to authorize it as it stood. There is good authority for saying that there is no authority under the present act for the issuance of trap licenses. Hence the matter of trap fishing has not advanced a single step since the Liberals came into power. At least, if one step has been taken, it is, legally, a doubtful step. Therefore, Senator Templeman, the representative Liberal of this Province, has gone back on every position he took eight years ago. And we are now asked to renew our confidence in the party, which he represents, for a third time!

THE DUTY ON LUMBER.

Mr. Ralph Smith said at the meeting at Saanichton that he would not vote for protection on lumber to put money in the pockets of a few lumbermen in this province, when the interests of so many settlers in Manitoba are concerned. Mr. Smith says the duty was taken off when the Liberal-Conservatives were in power, and if it were right then it must be right now when a great many more settlers are coming in to the Northwest. Mr. Smith is an economist with a vengeance! He entirely disregards the conditions then and now, because, after all, it is all a question of condition and not of theory. Then the lumber business of Puget Sound was flourishing. The lumbermen there had a large and active demand for their products in the United States and the question of tariff did not really cut much figure. Now that trade is extremely congested, and the lumbermen are dumping their surplus stocks into Manitoba and the Northwest—not to actual settlers, but to middlemen, and the settlers are really little or no better off as a consequence. To such an extent is this true that our millmen who are excluded from their own market are obliged to close down their mills and the logging camps are deserted. Does Mr. Smith think of the effect of this on laboring men of British Columbia, and the thousands of others who are affected? He is all consideration for the settler of the Northwest, who gets his land free from the government, and has little or no taxes to pay for expensive administration for roads, because no roads are required, and on account of other conditions of a mountainous country—and none for his own people.

Why did Mr. Fielding put in a clause in the tariff bill to prevent "dumping" in products which are already protected? Why did Mr. Smith vote for it? Why is the settler of the Northwest deserving of any more consideration than any other class in Canada? Is he deserving of more consideration than the laboring man of British Columbia, or the farmer or artisan of Ontario? Is it because he is expected to vote for Hon. Clifford Sifton, the Minister of the Interior, and his minions of the Yukon, who have fattened on the spoils of that country, that they may be continued in power for another five years? A pretty kind of labor representative is Mr. Smith, and a beautiful representative of the interests of British Columbia.

Have we not an average tariff of about 30 per cent on all manufactured products, except lumber, and does not every person, rich and poor, have to pay his share of that throughout Canada. Is there any product imported and consumed by the people of British Columbia which is exempted from the operations of the tariff law? Is not the miner, or the prospector, or the logger, or the laborer, or the mechanic, or the settler of British Columbia as good and as deserving of special consideration as the settler of the Northwest, who has simply to put a plough into his land and go ahead? If it were real sympathy on the part of Mr. Smith we would still describe as wholly uncalled for and puerile. But it is not sympathy. It is pure political buncombe and an excuse for not doing justice to those whose interests he is duty bound to serve; interests which by subserviency to his party, he has neglected and proved traitor to.

If the Conservatives failed in taking off the duty on lumber when in power it was the duty of the Liberals to have restored it in order to do justice to British Columbia interests. If it were justified then it is not justified now, because different conditions exist.

Mr. Aylesworth, the new minister without office, is about to be defeated in Durham. He has been a little too close to the Ross government machine for his own good. Mr. Aylesworth seems to have been a confidential advisor of Minister Stratton in the Gamey conspiracy, and was the man who handed Gamey the memorable letter to be signed.—Ex.

In eighteen years the Conservatives in control of the Government increased the total annual expenditure of Canada from $30,545,771 to $44,096,383, or by $13,550,612. In eight years the Liberals in control of the government increased the total annual expenditure of Canada from $44,096,383, to $66,466,042, or by $22,369,659. And you cannot point to anything of value in the country for all the extra outlay of the past eight years. —Ex.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's hopes of success in the election campaign seem, from his speeches, to depend on his creating an impression that Providence has been attached to his political outfit. Some of his remarks would be lacking of reverence anywhere. When they are uttered at meetings where the worst workers of the Ontario "machine" sit on the platform as his chief supporters they suggest thoughts that will hardly help the subject of them.—Montreal Gazette.

Mr. Tait, a Canadian, was employed as general manager of the Victoria State Railways, with extensive powers, and the results have been entirely satisfactory. The Intercolonial Railway does not pay because it is treated as a vote-making machine first, and as a railway next. Managed by a commission holding office upon the same conditions as the Auditor-General, the government railway would pay its way at least.—Ex.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

HOSPITAL BALL.

Sir—I notice in the papers of today that the music for the hospital ball has been given to Mr. Sampson's orchestra, that is, a part of the Fifth Regiment band. Why was it taken from the navy's band? "Hearty Supporter" must have quite a pull—one would think he followed a politi-al life! I suppose his staying from the ball would cause quite a panic among the ladies. I have always understood that the ball was for a hospital benefit, not for a band benefit, and am greatly surprised at the hospital people being coerced into refusing the naval band. What a wonder the regimental band does not try to run the rest of the town. The band of the regiment bluffed the City Council into giving them money to go on their tour; now they are back they are trying to bluff everybody into their way of thinking. "One of the Crowd," in his letter of this morning, says that the Commodore kindly lent the services of his band. This being the case, I should say that the aforesaid proceeding was equivalent to a slap in the face to this officer. I hope the next person who asks for the services of the naval band will get it—in the neck! I may say, in conclusion, that it is time for the people of Victoria to have a little more backbone, and to turn down this bluffing element that is taken from the other side and turned loose here in Victoria.

Hoping you will find space in your valuable paper for this letter.

A. CITIZEN.

Victoria, October 26, 1904.

THE ORCHESTRA FOR THE BALL.

Sir—It was with feelings of amazement and disgust that I read in this morning's Colonist that the committee in charge of the hospital ball had decided to hire Sampson's orchestra and drop the navy band. What madness! And why take it from good British subjects and hand it over to an American subject, born and bred? And the cream of the joke is, that J. M. Finn did not think him good enough to take on the tour with his grand band. I think, and most people will agree with me, that we in this city owe a great deal to the navy and army. If this city or any charitable organization wants anything done, who do they go to? The navy. If they want to borrow bunting for decoration purposes, who do they go to? The navy. Who helped them to make their exhibition a success? Who makes the Twenty-fourth of May and First of July a success? The navy. And now, forsooth, because a few Yankee musicians and their grafters make a howl in the paper, we show our gratitude to the navy and hand the furnishing of the music to an alien. And let us also hope we will not hear any more howling if the Commodore should decide to keep his ships in other ports, where they are more appreciated.

THE EMPIRE FIRST.

RELATING TO THE BAND.

Sir—I did not, on perusal of "One of the Crowd's" effusion in this morning's Colonist deem it likely that anybody would pay attention to such a paltry snarl, most evidently emanating through ignorance and narrow-mindedness from a gross mind, manifestly filled with rancor and assuredly incapable of being pleased or satisfied with anything good. The crowd, of which yesterday morning's correspondent claims to be one, more especially if he be a type of that crowd, is very evidently an aggregation of which Victoria or any respectable community need at all times be less proud than of the Fifth Regiment band.

I am sure if "One of the Crowd" attended either of the concerts given by the band since its return, and if he thinks he did not get his money's worth, I, for one, would be willing to form one of another crowd who were enthusiastically enough pleased with the concerts to subscribe to a subscription list for the purpose of refunding this creature and his crowd, if such there be, their money.

Talking of country bands, I would like to spend my summer vacation in some rustic spot where I could daily listen to a village band that could dispense sweet music with the grace, ease, and execution of our band. But "One of the Crowd" may be an advertiser for the charms of some such rustic spot hitherto undiscovered by the ordinary workaday mortal and citizen.

FAVEO.

THE CONSERVATIVE POLICY.

Mr. Borden States What Adequate Protection Means.

From Mr. Borden's Montreal Speech.

The Conservative policy is something more than what Sir Wilfrid Laurier has described. It is such adequate protection as will at all times secure the Canadian market to Canadians in respect to all legitimate Canadian enterprises. (Applause.) Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, that is the policy we believe in; it is the policy by which we are prepared to stand or fall, and which we advocate on every public platform in this country, and we believe it will so commend itself to the people of this country that they will return to parliament a majority of men pledged to give us a tariff which will adequately protect the home interests of this country. (Cheers.)

I am not advocating this policy in the interests of manufacturers, a charge which is made against the Conservative party without cause or reason. The manufacturers of this country have given to the Liberal party during the past eight years more support than to the Conservative party. We believe it is a battle in the interests of the people of this country, and the battle of the laboring man. How can the laboring man in this country hope to receive that living wage to which he is entitled? We want to build up a sturdy Canadian manhood, and we cannot if our laboring men are compelled to work on equal terms with the pauper labor of other countries. We want our raw material and resources developed, and we cannot do it without a stable and declared policy of protection. The farmer wants it because the home market is worth more than any foreign market. Does it not mean much to the farmer that there is a great city like Montreal? And would it not mean much if in Ontario there were other great industrial centres? Only two years ago a farmer told me they missed in the Northwest those great industrial and commercial centres they had in the Western parts of the United States. Notwithstanding they are not there now, they will be in the future. It is the policy of the Conservative party to give to the people of this country that adequate protection which will protect, which will guard our home industries and give our home market to our own people. We must do this if we are to develop our country as its resources entitle it to be developed. It would not be good policy, it is said, to let our resources lie idle, and send our men to the United States, and send our good Canadian money to the United States for the very products which we might just as well manufacture at home. It is not good business or good policy. Our policy is before the people of this country; they understand it; it is the one on which we feel we can with confidence appeal to the people of the country.

BLOW AT GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP.

"I am unable to understand after we had adopted the principles of government ownership down to this point, what are the reasons, what are the cogent and convincing reasons why we should divorce the principle of public operation from the principle of public ownership, and hand the road over to the operation of a private company. There is no reason to my mind which at all ought to commend this idea to one's reasonable judgment. Therefore, I complain of that feature of the scheme. I think it is, in this respect, radically defective, and that it cannot be worked out successfully. I think it contains defects which will impair the successful working of the railway and which will prevent, rather than promote, the successful working out of financial results. And it will strike a blow, which I regret to see struck by the government of this country at the principle of government ownership."—Hon. Mr. Blair in the House of Commons.

A SANE VIEW OF GOVERNMENT OWNED RAILWAY.

Toronto News.

The Prime Minister further declares that the Conservative party, owing to Mr. Borden's declaration for state ownership of the projected transcontinental railway, has ceased to be the party of Sir John Macdonald and Sir Charles Tupper, and is now "the party of populism, such as found its birth on the other side of the line, and which has come to this demagogical development of government ownership." A quarter of a century ago Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. Blake, Mr. Laurier and Sir Richard Cartwright were building the Canadian Pacific railway as a national work, and while it is true, as the Prime Minister says, that they took this course from necessity, rather than from choice, the Liberal party was not thereby transformed into a party of populism. In South Africa they have only state railways, and yet the spirit of populism is by no means dominant in South African affairs. In Germany they have state railways and methods of government repugnant to all the teachings of populists. In fact, nowhere outside of Australia will Sir Wilfrid Laurier find support for his crafty and insinuating contention. But there, and indeed wherever the policy of national ownership has been adopted, public opinion would not tolerate any proposition to substitute corporation carriers for the existing system of state railways.

THE "HIGH ROLLERS."

The "high rollers" in the Ottawa cabinet are coming in for severe criticism on Eastern platforms. At Pembroke, Ont., a few days ago, Hon. Peter White, ex-speaker of the House of Commons, dealing with the various scandals, referred among other things to the sale of land to speculators.

Among other statements he made the following:

"There is a minister in the administration who when he came to Ottawa could not pay his taxes in the place he came from. He has been living at the rate of $20,000 a year, has built a magnificent residence, and has, I'm told, half a million in the bank, all on a salary of $7,000 a year and sessional allowances. If that gentleman would instruct me as to how he saved so much I would be very glad."

Mr. White then told a story of a daft youth in Scotland who in reply to a miller's question of "What do you know and what do you not know?" replied, "I know the miller's pigs are fat, but I don't know whose grain they got fat on." Mr. White used this story to give point to his suspicion.

BUYING MUCH MORE THAN WE SELL.

Industrial Canada.

The last trade and navigation report of the Dominion government shows that during the month of July, 1904, there was imported for consumption in Canada $18,019,898 worth of merchandise as compared with $18,714,564 in July, 1903, a falling off of $694,666. The exports of Canadian products were valued at $13,863,301 as compared with $16,356,417 for the same month last year, a decline of $2,493,116. If the decline continues throughout the current fiscal year the total falling off in our commerce will be very large. But while the total trade has greatly decreased there has been a remarkable increase in the adverse balance. In July, 1903, the value of imports for consumption exceeded the value of domestic products by $2,358,147; in July, 1904, the value of imports for consumption exceeded the value of domestic exports by $4,256,597. The trade balance against Canada for the fiscal year 1902 was only $460,427; for the fiscal year 1903 the adverse balance was $10,399,427; for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, it was $45,171,985. Judging from the experience of July the adverse balance during the current year is likely to be much greater than that of last year. If the Klondike gold nuggets and gold dust carried off to the United States were not included in our domestic exports the showing would be still more unfavorable to Canada.

How can we pay the interest on loans and the dividends on Canadian stocks and bonds held in Britain and other countries if the adverse balance of trade continues to grow in this way? There are only two ways of paying for the goods we buy in foreign countries, by goods or by gold. A continuation of the present trade conditions must result in Canada being completely drained of gold. A reckoning must come some day. A wealthy nation like Britain, with money out at interest in all the countries of the world, may be able to afford to buy more than it sells for a long series of years, but a young country like Canada cannot do it. If we continue it much longer it must end in a disastrous collapse ruinous to every Canadian industry.

NATIONAL RAILWAYS THE ISSUE.

Toronto World.

The incidents of the last few days show that there is no question equal to public ownership of railways in the public mind. Sir Wilfrid Laurier went out of his way to denounce public ownership as a form of populism. Now Mr. Blair resigns the position of chairman of the railway commission, declaring that he reaffirms his strong objection to the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme, but has at present no intention of re-entering public life.

Mr. Blair has thus twice placed on record his opposition to the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme, and his advocacy of public ownership of railways. It is not usual for a man to resign a government position, and Mr. Blair has done this twice, each time assigning the same reason. Nothing can destroy the force of these protests, coming from a man whom Sir Wilfrid Laurier, by word and by action, has declared to be the greatest authority on railways among the public men of Canada. We cannot predict what Mr. Blair may do during the next fortnight. But his resignation is a protest, a condemnation of the railway policy of the government, the force of which cannot be destroyed or impaired.

A REMARKABLE OLD MAN.

Toronto News.

There is an inspiration in the remarkable vigor shown by Sir Charles Tupper, who, at the age of 78, emerges from retirement to take part in the election. He has been a leading figure in every general election, beginning with the first Dominion contest of 1867, when he was the only supporter of Confederation returned by the Nova Scotian electors. In 1872 he swung his province into line for the Union, and during the Conservative term of opposition which ensued between 1874 and 1878 he was a tower of strength to his leader. In the contest of 1882 he bore fully one-half the burden of leadership and advocated the building of the Canadian Pacific in many speeches of eloquence and power. Both in 1887 and 1891 he was summoned back from the high commissionership in London to help Sir John Macdonald through the stress and strain of two trying contests, and if he failed of success in 1896 and 1900 it was not for lack of courage and activity. Sir Charles Tupper will be known in our political annals as a man of great constructive ability. Of strong convictions and an earnest believer in his native country it is well that his services should not be forgotten. He has had his faults, but want of faith in Canada is not one of them.

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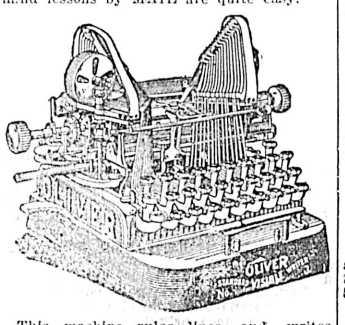
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LOCAL NEWS.

Brought Lumber. — The steamer Queen City, which returned early yesterday morning from a remarkably fast trip to Cape Scott, the time occupied being just six days, brought down between forty and fifty thousand feet of lumber which was taken on board at Quatsino, the shipment being the last of the product of the mill which had been operated there.

Atlantic Salmon Fry.—In response to the suggestion from the Fish and Game Club that salmon eggs be sent from the east for the improvement of fishing in Vancouver island streams and rivers, a wire was received yesterday from Ottawa as follows: "Ottawa, October 26th. Arranging to meet your wishes. Quarter of million eyed salmon eggs shipped from East on later date. (Signed) E. E. Prince." It is the intention of the club to distribute the fry between the Cowichan and Nanaimo rivers.

Stage Travel.—Officials of the White Pass & Yukon Railway have received advices from the north to the effect that stage travel from White Horse to Dawson commenced on Monday last. The stage which left Dawson had all the passengers it could accommodate, while the stage leaving White Horse for the Yukon metropolis also carried a full load. These, the first stages to take the road after the close of navigation, were wheeled vehicles, and they will be maintained in service till such time as the river crossings freeze over, and it is possible to put runners under the vehicles.

Wedding Bells.—Two popular young Victorians were united in marriage by Rev. Dr. Campbell on Wednesday evening, Mr. P. Luscombe, driver for the D. & C. Bakery, and Miss Sarah McGillivary of Victoria. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's mother, 45½ View street, only the intimate friends of the bride and bridegroom being present. Mr. Harry Keown supported the groom and Miss Kate McGillivray, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid. The young couple received a great many useful presents. Mr. and Mrs. Luscombe will make their home here, their residence being No. 6, Bridge street.

Donations Acknowledged.—The Aberdeen Association acknowledge with thanks donations of magazines from Mrs. Gore, Mrs. Loat, Mrs. Rithet, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Solly, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. McMicking, Mrs. Rykert, Mrs. Van Tassel, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. P. A. E. Irving, Miss Lawson, Mrs. McTavish, and the Badmington Club. Children's books and magazines are much needed by the readers of the Aberdeen Association, and would be very acceptable for making up the Christmas parcels. Books may be sent at any time to the Aberdeen Association rooms, Market Building.

Game Act.—The Fish and Game Club have received the following suggestions regarding amendments to the Game Act from a sportsman at Ymir: "Prohibit an Indian from killing an elk; prohibit the sale of elk tusks; reduce the number to one bull instead of two. If a sportsman comes into the country for the purpose of killing elk, let the persons hired by him for the purpose of assisting be prohibited from killing elk during such service. At present if a good band of elk are found there will be two for the guide, two for the cook and perhaps a packer, in fact there would be the opportunity to kill all the bulls if they felt so disposed. I would also suggest in the matter of licenses that foreigners, instead of paying $50, be made to pay $100 for each elk?"

Atlin's Harvest.—Among the passengers from the north debarking at Vancouver from the Princess May was R. D. Fetherstonhaugh, who has not been to "the outside" for two years. The Atlin Mining Company, of which he was manager, recently amalgamated with another company, and Mr. Fetherstonhaugh is now operating on his own account. He intends at an early date to install a steam shovel for working claims in which he is interested. Regarding the Atlin camp generally, Mr. Fetherstonhaugh says that the past season has been a satisfactory one generally, and he places the yield at about $1,000,000. When he left, many companies and miners were still working, and if a freeze-up did not occur, he expected the total clean-up would reach the million-dollar mark or thereabouts.

New Vaudeville Circuit.—The Seattle Times has the following: "The erection of a new, popular-priced theatre in Vancouver is likely to take place at an early date. The new amusement house is to be erected and conducted by the Northwestern Theatrical Association, which now controls some forty theatres in the principal cities on the Northwest Pacific coast. Besides the proposed new theatre in Vancouver, similar houses are to be erected in Seattle, Victoria, Tacoma, Bellingham, Spokane and Portland. The Northwestern Theatrical Association proposes to run the new houses on lines somewhat similar to the present ten-cent vaudeville houses which have recently met with such phenomenal success and are rapidly multiplying all over the coast. The new circuit of theatres will, of course, be in opposition to the present vaudeville circuits, and an interesting theatrical war may be waged for supremacy."

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Class in Dancing.—Owing to the hospital ball last evening, Mrs. Dickinson and Mrs. Simpson will hold their usual Thursday evening class tonight.

Fifth Regiment.—A special meeting of No. 2 Company, Fifth Regiment, C. A., will be held tonight in the men's room, Drill hall, at 8 o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

Magic Lantern Views.—Baxter Hive, No. 8, Ladies of the Maccabees, will give a magic lantern entertainment at the home of Mr. Spencer, 288 Yates this evening. All are invited.

More Testimony.—The secretary of the Tourist Association yesterday received from Mrs. Watson, of Victoria West, a bunch of raspberries and some beautiful roses, which had just been picked from the garden—more testimony to the fine climate of Victoria.

Sunday School Convention.—An invitation to all singers who may be present at the international Sunday school convention meetings on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings in the First Presbyterian church, is extended by Mr. J. G. Brown to assist in the singing.

Present Prizes.—This evening at the city hall, at 8 o'clock the Swinerton cup and the medals won in the school boys athletic competition, as well as the medals won at the St. Clair swimming competition, will be publicly presented. The committee extends a cordial invitation to parents and others to be present.

Church Opening.—On Saturday and Sunday last the opening of the new Methodist church on the Quamichan reserve was celebrated under pleasing auspices, there being a very large attendance of friends. Rev. Thomas Crosby, a pioneer missionary of this province, was present and preached at each service.

Accepted the Call.—The Rev. M. L. Rugg, D. D., of Urbana, Ill., has accepted the call to the pastorate of the West End Baptist church of Vancouver. Dr. Rugg was formerly pastor of Calvary church, Victoria, and is well and favorably known on the coast. He expects to assume charge of his new church about December 1st, and will be the first regular incumbent to have charge, though the church was formally organized last July and has been holding services since that date.

Quick Work.—Fred. Sherbourne, the contractor who has the job of erecting the freight sheds on the new C. P. R. wharves, is being congratulated for the quick work he has done since he commenced the undertaking. The bulk of the job was completed yesterday, and now only the finishing details require to be put on the structure. Mr. Sherbourne was favored with exceptionally fine weather, and he took full advantage of it, having employed a large force of men.

Branch Bank Opened.—The Bank of Montreal has for many years been the only financial institution in the Okanagan valley, and is giving evidence of its faith in the "garden of British Columbia" by opening additional branches in that district. For twelve years or so it has had a branch at Vernon, and recently it opened a branch at Armstrong. Another branch, at Kelowna, on Okanagan lake, will be opened on November 1st. It will be in charge of Mr. H. G. Fisher, for some years teller in the Greenwood branch of the bank.

St. Mary's, Saanichton.—Last Sunday, October 23rd, the harvest festival was held in St. Mary's church, Saanichton. The church was very prettily decorated for the occasion by the ladies of the congregation, and was filled with worshippers. The preacher was the lord bishop of the diocese, who, taking for his text the words "a handful of corn," made a very strong appeal on behalf of the missionary society of the church throughout Canada and met with a generous response from the large and attentive congregation.

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Yukon Gold.—With a crowd of 204 passengers, perhaps the largest Klondike party that will arrive from the famous British Yukon gold fields this year, the steamer Jefferson, Capt. Nord, reached Seattle Wednesday afternoon. She brought also $300,000 of Klondike treasure consigned to the Seattle assay office, the Canadian Bank of Commerce and the Selby Smelting Company. The Jefferson's passengers included the masters and crews of five Yukon river steamers which have gone out of commission and into winter quarters.

Divorce, Then Wedding.—Says the Seattle Post-Intelligencer of yesterday: One week from the day his wife secured a divorce from him in the Superior court of this county, and in direct violation of the order of Judge Bell, who granted the divorce, by which he prohibited either party from marrying within six months, Frank Kilbourne, president of the Cascade laundry, married Clio Allen in Victoria, thus carrying out the statement made at the time when the attachment between the two was given publicity in the sensational papers of the city, that as soon as he could he would marry the girl.

A Vancouver Wedding.—St. John's church, Vancouver, was the scene of a pretty wedding Tuesday morning, when Mr. John Arthur Hyndman, the well-known vocalist and son of Mr. T. B. Hyndman, and Miss Nettie Forrest, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander B. Forrest, were united in the bonds of holy matrimony. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Robert Laird, M. A., in the presence of a large number of friends of the contracting parties. The newly wedded couple then left on the steamer Princess Victoria on a short honeymoon trip to Victoria and the Sound cities.

Unique Masonic Outfit.—Jailer Sheppard yesterday received a copy of the Dawson Daily News, containing particulars of a unique Masonic outfit being sent to Rt. Hon. Richard Sheldon, prime minister of New Zealand. The outfit consisted of the working tools of a grand master, bound with golden nuggets, the gavel bearing a gold shield on which is inscribed, "A token of fraternal love from Bro. F. J. Browne, Lodge Otaki, No 72, N. Z. C." Special arrangements have been made to get the parcel carried by mail, as in weight and size it exceeds the prescribed limits. Mr. Browne is a cousin of Mr. Sheppard's, and is by birth a New Zealander, but has spent the past six years in the Klondike, mining.

The W. C. T. U.—The weekly meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday afternoon, Mrs. McNaughton presiding. Mrs. Field submitted an interesting report on the work of the Willard mission on Johnson street, which showed that employment had been found for nine men, numerous lunches served, literature distributed and the usual Saturday night concerts held. Mr. H. Knott, local manager of the B. C. Permanent, appeared before the meeting and spoke of the advantages his company offered for investment. As a result it was decided to invest a sum of $1,000 in the company, this sum being held as a nucleus towards the building of a hall. It was further decided that the meetings in future be held semi-monthly instead of weekly, as at present—on the second and fourth Thursday of each month. There was a good attendance at yesterday's session.

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May Conclude Today.—The speedy trial of the three boys charged with indecent assault will be continued before Judge Harrison today. It is expected that the case will be concluded before the court rises.

Police Court.—There was but one case in the Police court yesterday morning, and the charge was drunkenness. A fine of $2.50 was imposed. The Chinese conspiracy case was called, but again adjourned until this morning.

Coote-Harrison. — At St. James church, London, Ont., on October 20th, the marriage took place of J. Colborne Coote, of London, son of the late J. B. Coote, Esq., and Eunice B. Harrison, eldest daughter of His Honor Judge Harrison and Mrs. Harrison.

Police Patrol Wagon.—Since the death of Dan a hired horse has been doing service under the police patrol wagon, but the purchasing agent and chief of police are on the look-out for a better class of animal and hope to make their selection in the course of a few days.

Hospital Ball.—Lieut.-Colonel Hall, commanding the Fifth Regiment, requests the Colonist to state that, contrary to an impression which has got abroad, none of the officers of the regiment took any part in the movement to induce the hospital ball committee to make new arrangements for music after the naval band had been secured.

Seized Lumber.—At Vancouver on Thursday, acting under the orders of Mr. R. J. Skinner, provincial lumber inspector, Mr. John Murray, timber ranger, seized the mill property of the Cascade Lumber Company on False Creek. The cause was for money due the department of lands and works for timber royalties.

Horticultural Board.—The regular quarterly meeting of the Horticultural board was to have been held at Victoria on Wednesday, but has been postponed until November. Mr. R. M. Palmer is engaged on business in the interior and Mr. T. Cunningham, who has only returned to Vancouver from the Okanagan, was unable to come down to the capital, as the recent heavy importations of nursery stock will keep him busy for some days.

Tyee Copper Company.—The following returns regarding the operation of the Ladysmith smelter during September have been received at the London office: "Smelter ran 24 days during the month, and smelted—Tyee ore, 4,681 tons; customs are, 1,025 tons—5,706 tons. Matte produced from same, 465 tons. Gross value of contents (copper, silver and gold) after deducting costs of refining and purchase of customs ore, $52,633."

Accident to Pioneer.—The Similkameen Star, in its issue of Saturday last, has the following reference to a mishap which befell a gentleman well-known in Victoria: "James Orr, ex-M. P. P., and old-time pioneer, had the misfortune to fall last week from which he suffered internal injury. His many intimate friends all over the province will be pleased to know he has so far recovered as to be about, though still a sufferer. For a gentleman of 80 years Mr. Orr's vitality is nothing short of marvelous. His complete restoration is sincerely wished by everybody."

Good Cable Business.—The newly-laid Alaskan cable will, this month, do nearly twice as much business as it did in September, says the Post-Intelligencer. This is due partially to the laying of the Valdez-Sitka cable and partially to the natural increase in the number of despatches sent from all parts of the country, as it gradually becomes known that the cable is in successful operation. It is estimated that $4,000 will be taken in for cable fees during October. Of this amount $1,500 will come through the Seattle office. Of this amount $1,200 will represent cash business and the balance government despatches which, of course, go "dead head." Last month but $700 went through the hands of the local signal corps men.

BORNE TO THE GRAVE.

Large Attendance Yesterday at Funeral of Late Mrs. D. Stephen.

The remains of the late Mrs. Jessie Stephen were laid to rest yesterday afternoon. The funeral took place from the family residence, 152 Michigan street, at 2:30, where impressive service was conducted by the Rev. W. L. Clay, assisted by the Rev. H. A. Carson, and also at the grave.

The choir of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church met at the residence and sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee." As a solo Mrs. Currie sang "Lead, Kindly Light." Mr. Longfield presided at the organ. The large attendance of friends and the many beautiful floral designs testified to the esteem in which the deceased lady was held.

The following acted as pallbearers: R. B. McMicking, J. H. Greer, W. A. Allan, H. Bishop, J. Thompson, J. H. Alexander.

One of the largest funerals lately seen in the city was that of the late Eva May Ferguson, which took place yesterday afternoon from the parents' residence, Douglas street. Rev. Mr. Westman conducted the services, many of the most beautiful floral emblems were presented and the following acted as pallbearers: W. H. Grimm, H. Driver, R. Owens, E. A. Harris, L. Pinson and W. M. Johnson.

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Small Fire.—The fire department received a call at 4 o'clock yesterday morning to North Park street, where an ashbox was on fire. The blaze was soon extinguished.

The Terminal Railway's list of week end excursion points includes Vancouver and Westminster at $2.00 for the round trip and Port Guichon (Ladners) at $1. The latter should prove exceedingly popular, as the trip among the Gulf Islands and up the Fraser river is a delightful one.

The Fifth Regiment orchestra has been engaged by the "Fit-Reform Company" to provide entertainment for visitors to the store on Saturday, October 29th.

Better Terms.—Though at the present time might be called a "Political Expression," it goes far to describe the possibilities of those who utilize the spare moments in study in the International Correspondence Schools. In order to receive such conditions you must have a "pull." The most lasting pull is secured by Qualification, the best qualification by a course in the above schools. Terms for Routes on application.
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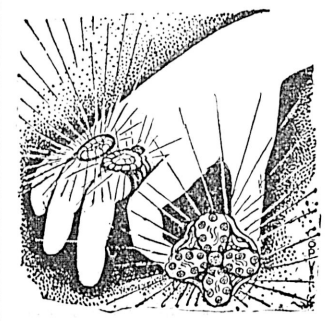
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The intermediates and juniors are again reminded of the practice at the Caledonia grounds.

Rugby enthusiasts are looking forward to the time when the old rivals, the Oak Bay and Centrals, line up. One of the most desperate struggles in their history is expected, as both teams are exceptionally strong this season

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Big Game on Saturday.

Lovers of the Association game are keenly looking forward to Saturday afternoon, when they will have an opportunity to see the crack eleven from H. M. S. Grafton meet the Victoria United team. The sailors have gone into the league determined to do or die, and as they have not yet met defeat, the local boys have a hard task before them. However, the Victoria United players are very determined, and under the able captaincy of H. A. Goward their form has improved very much. C. Goodenough will act as linesman. The goal nets will be in position for the first time this season. This will be a great improvement and there will be no disputes about the goals scored. The grounds are being put into first-class shape, and everything points to a very exciting struggle.

High School Team.

The following team will represent the High School in the junior league match at Beacon Hill against the Capitals tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock: Goal, Mason; full backs, Shanks and Prevost; half backs, Eberts, Scott and Carne; forwards, Sedger, Gowen, Erb, Taylor and McInnes; reserves, Selman, Edwards and McKenzie. A good game is expected, as both teams have been practicing hard.

The North Ward team will play St. Louis College at 2 o'clock on the same grounds. Mr. J. G. Brown will referee both games. The place and time for both matches was decided upon at a meeting of the executive last night.

The regular monthly meeting of the executive will be held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Important business will be taken up and a full attendance is requested.

THE RING.

Cove vs. Bennett.

Percy Cove, the Canadian, and Jockey Bennett of Sacramento, are both training hard for the 20-round match which will take place in the Philharmonic Hall on November 4. It will be a great contest. The men are remarkably well matched, as was proved by their recent encounter, at which neither could secure a real advantage over the other. All those interested in sport should attend this meeting. It is not often that an opportunity occurs of seeing two really smart boxers of such equal merits try conclusions, and the match should be generously patronized.

Cove and Bennett are both determined to win. The fact that they have now fought two draws renders it very improbable that a third contest can result in the same way, and there are challenges out on the Sound against the winner. Betting on the result locally is even.

Graney Will Referee.

Eddie Graney, the San Francisco referee, will officiate at the Britt-Gans fight next Monday night. The selection was made at a conference between Al. Herford, representing Gans; Willie Britt, as Manager for Jimmy Britt, and Jimmy Coffroth, representative of the club before which the men are to fight.

Herford at first stood out for an Eastern man, when when he found that the Britts would stay firm for a San Franciscan, and that in case of a deadlock the club would appoint Eddie Graney, he finally gave way and agreed to Graney.

The two fighters are pretty evenly matched, but Gans is stockier than Britt. Britt has the longer reach, but Gans has splendid chest development.

HANDBALL.

Interesting Games Tonight.

Handball enthusiasts should visit the J. B. A. A. gymnasium tonight. F. Smith and J. Sutherland, scratch, meet R. Peden and K. Hughes, rec. 3, at 7:30, and a 8 o'clock D. Jones and W. Jesse, owe 3, will line up against B. Pettingell and F. C. Davie, scratch. The losers will be out of the tournament and, knowing this, the boys are all prepared to fight to the last. Play is expected to be exceptionally fast, as the rival teams are well matched.

CHESS.

J. B. A. A. Matches.

T. W. Piper intends to start the J. B. A. A. chess matches on Monday night. They will be played under the same system as the one adopted by the London, England, Chess Club, and all the exponents of this fascinating game are requested to meet at the club house at 8 o'clock.

PHYSICAL CULTURE.

Successful Class.

The physical culture class at the J. B. A. A. gymnasium last night was a large one, and the boys went through the exercises in first-class style. This kind of work is very beneficial and proves a great help in other branches of sport.

BASKETBALL.

The Victoria West Team.

In spite of the fact that F. Baker, the whirlwind centre for Victoria West, will be unable to play this season, it was generally suspected that the green shirts would have a formidable team. This proves to be the correct view, as the following line up shows: Guards, T. Crocker, W. Fairall; centre, C. Fairall; forwards, H. Patton, T. Cessford.

This does not look like a weak aggregation. With three members of last year's team and two new, fast forwards, the other teams in the league will have to get right down to work if they want to win.

Y. M. C. A. Prospects.

The Y. M. C. A. will not have a senior team this year, but their intermediates and juniors hope to make a good showing. The Philharmonic Hall has been engaged and the boys intend to practice at least three nights a week. Last year's juniors will be intermediates, and the fact that a new junior team must be formed is arousing keen interest among the members. A great effort will be made to capture the intermediate championship, as in that event the club would again enter the senior league.

Cloverdale's Intentions.

It is understood that the Cloverdale juniors are unable to secure a hall for this season. They would like to play for Victoria West and some arrangement may be made by which a strong combined team will represent the western suburb in the intermediate league.

The Lacrosse Team.

The lacrosse team are looking out for a hall, and it is hoped their efforts will be rewarded with success in a few days.

THE ROD.

Black Bass Plentiful.

Splendid black bass fishing can be had at the outer wharf and from the rocks in the vicinity. A rod and line, or, if the fisherman prefers it, a line alone, and a hook with a piece of white rag attached will entice the fish nicely. A dozen black bass can easily be caught in an hour, and as they are excellent for table purposes, disciples of Izaac Walton should pay the outer wharf a visit.

The Indians apparently have no difficulty in securing salmon, although the run in the Straits has been very poor this year. Canoes arriving at Yates street landing are loaded with salmon, and one Indian had a dozen splendid rock cod besides, which he speedily disposed of for a good price. A Chinaman made a bid for the fish, but the crafty native held out for a larger amount, which he soon obtained from a white man.

ATHLETICS.

Lessons in Tumbling.

W. Oliver and C. Hill, the tumblers, are teaching the members of the Y. M. C. A the art of tumbling. The boys are very enthusiastic, and it is hoped that some exhibitions will be given during the winter.

BASEBALL.

Victoria Baseball Association Meeting.

A meeting of the Victoria Baseball Association will be held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall tonight. Some important business will be considered and a full attendance is requested.

THE TURF.

Local Winners in Cambridgeshire.

J. Dooler is the lucky man who held the winning number, 1085, in the Cambridgeshire sweep. He receives $522. C. Wilders, with 812, is entitled to $261, and Pte Ashworth secured $130 with 1267.

Equalled World's Record.

Chicago, Oct. 27.—Ivan the Terrible, carrying 92 pounds, equalled the world's record for six furlongs over a circular track at Worth today covering the distance in 1:11:45.

HOCKEY.

Intermediates vs. High School.

The intermediate team of the Victoria Hockey Club will meet the High School at Oak Bay park tomorrow afternoon. The game will commence at 3 o'clock, and visitors to the grounds will be able to witness two splendid matches, as the big Association football game will be played on the adjoining field at the same time.

Y. M. C. A. Team.

As a number of the members of the Y. M. C. A. are good hockey players, the association has decided to put a hockey team in the field this season. The hockey outlook will therefore be much brighter, and Victorians will be able to witness some fine games.

WRESTLING.

A Poor Exhibition.

A wrestling match between War Eagle and Dan McLeod took place in the Opera House in New Westminster on Thursday. The attendance was rather poor, only about 200 being present. As an exhibition of scientific wrestling, the match was a failure, the Indian displaying only pure brute strength. The first part of the show, lasting 30 minutes, was first wrestled in the Indian style—by which is meant that on any part of the body, except the feet, touching the mat, it counts a fall. McLeod secured the first fall, and then the Indian got three, forcing his opponent to his knees by his great weight. McLeod secured the fifth and sixth falls, the Indian the seventh and McLeod the eighth, making it four each. The second half was catch-as-catch-can for 30 minutes, during which neither man secured a fall. The Indian took to the mat breast downwards, and was too heavy for McLeod to throw him. He attempted to secure a half nelson about six times, but in every case McLeod got clear by head spins.

Mr. Fred Lynch acted as referee.

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RUSSIAN AGENT NOW AT SEATTLE

Count Androfsky Arrives on the Sound on a Diplomatic Mission.

A commercial agent of the Russian government, who has also a semi-diplomatic mission, is now in Seattle, in the person of Count Paul Androfsky, of Irkutsk. Not only is the count in the United States to promote commerce between this country and his own nation, but he has an errand that will carry him to the national capital, the exact nature of which he is, he states, not at liberty to divulge.

It is a portion of Count Androfsky's mission to directly benefit Alaska and Seattle, says the Post-Intelligencer, through an indirect method whereby this city and the Northwest territory will secure a greater portion of the fish importations into Japan at the conclusion of the war in the Far East. The count yesterday registered at the Hotel Cecil and was seen there by a reporter. He said:

"Before the war between my country and Japan fishermen of the latter nation were in the habit of coming up to Siberian waters and securing the greater supply of the salmon used in Japan. There are none of these fish in Japanese waters, and they were obliged to fish Russia's. A large amount of fish is consumed in Japan, and I should judge that 3,500 Japanese made a living catching salmon on fishing grounds that properly belonged to us. When hostilities broke out we, of course, ordered these men out of our waters, and it is now the policy of the government to keep them out for all time to come. I see now that, to supply the immense demand for salmon in the Flowery Kingdom, Japanese fishermen are sending their boats up in American waters. We have authentic information that a small fleet of these vessels has been at work off Dutch Harbor, in Alaska.

"I am informed, from the same source from which we learned of the presence of the Japanese in Alaska, that influences are now at work in this country whereby foreign fishermen desiring to ply their vocation in American waters must register and pay a subsidy to this government. Perhaps this fact is not generally known in this country, but we have heard of it in Russia, and I know that a bill to this effect will shortly come before your congress. If it passes it will mean that the Japanese, cut off from their own fish supply, will have to purchase from Americans, and that will throw open an immense market for American salmon. My mission here has not, of course, much to do with this matter. I am in the United States solely for the purpose of showing the people what an immense commerce can be built up between this country and mine after hostilities cease. I am to spare no expense in my mission, and am given a free hand to carry it through in any way that I see fit. I am certain, not to be egotistical, that my coming here is going to do much to promote a better feeling between the two nations in a commercial way.

"I also have a semi-diplomatic mission here that, unfortunately, I am unable to talk about at the present time. A successful consummation of the idea I have in view, or at least what my government has in view, will work wonders in maintaining the present amicable feeling between the two nations. I hope to see President Roosevelt and the secretary of state within a couple of weeks after conferring with the Russian minister."

Asked about the war, Count Androfsky said:

"I really can see but one outcome. They have said that Russia is almost bankrupt. Her income is some $3,000,000 per day. She controls the liquor traffic entirely, and from that derives a revenue of $1,000,000 a day, the same amount from banking, railroads and telegraphs, and a similar amount from internal revenues and customs. We have a standing army of 1,000,000 men. Only 60 per cent. of these are in the field. Besides these there are 4,000,000 trained reserves ready to go into action at any time. I cannot see how the Japanese, plucky as they are, can overcome such odds. In Russia we are not worrying much over the war."

The count talks interestingly on the prospective work in Siberia. His home is at Irkutsk, the point of debarkation on the trans-Siberian road for Siberian prisoners. He states that the plans to double track the road are completed and work will begin in the spring. There are cities containing 300,000 souls along the trans-Siberian road, he states, and many of them that one cannot find on the latest map.

Dalny, he count says, is to be rebuilt and on a grander scale than ever before. He predicts that it will one day be the imperial city of the Orient. On the present trouble between Great Britain and Russia the count declines to be interviewed. He states he has received no authentic information regarding it and is, therefore, not at liberty to make any statements. As far as he can see, he says it simply was a great blunder on the part of somebody. The count talks English fluently. He came here by way of San Francisco. He spent a portion of yesterday meeting a few of the prominent shipping men of the city and in making enquiries relative to the commercial interests of this port. He may leave the city early this morning, but stated last night that he will endeavor to remain over for two or three days.

AN EYE FOR COLOR.

Happy the Woman Who Is the Fortunate Possessor.

Happy is the woman who has an innate sense of harmony, who knows not only one tint from another, but knows what colors will blend and what colors will quarrel. Happy the woman who does not spend her strength and her money trying to have an attractive home or pleasing wardrobe and all to no purpose.

The woman who has an eye for color can work the happiest effects and often with very small means. Her home is restful and inviting, with an indefinable charm which money alone can never buy. She would no more think of compelling purple to stand with blue or scarlet with crimson than she would think of inviting into her parlor two persons who were sworn enemies to each other. She would avoid loud colors in her furnishings as she would a loud-mouthed individual full of self-assertion and overbearing ways.

Instead of envying and aping the rich, the woman who will study the nature of colors and the laws of harmony and make her selections in accordance with them will be gratified with a beautiful home, simple, perhaps, but wonderfully pleasing in its air of cheerful comfort and expression of refined feeling.

The woman who has a sense of harmony, either native or acquired, will not make the mistake of overloading her rooms or her garments. True art demands the absence of whatever is superfluous, meaningless, or contradictory and fretting. It may not be easy to give up what vulgarity and coarseness have so long exacted, but refined taste once acquired has no use for the tawdry, the worthless, and the oppressive weight of decoration.

Simplicity does not signify bareness nor any form of Puritanism, but it does mean a harmony that produces peace on all who come under its influence.—Chicago Chronicle.

Dr. Calkins Wins American Championship.

Dr. I. R. Calkins of Springfield, Mass., has won the revolver championship of the United States and a gold medal, his total score being 451, with 50 at 50 yards.

ONE'S MEAT ANOTHER'S POISON

In the rivers of some of the West Indian Islands there abound fish which it would be deadly poison for Europeans to eat, but which the natives find a nourishing and enjoyable diet. In parts of New Zealand there grows a sort of orange which no one but a native can eat without becoming very ill, while a couple would probably poison the average European.

HOMES OF THE HOLLANDERS.

The Hollanders were the first people to make home life comfortable, as we understand it, and they brought to the New World their high ideal of home. What survivals of the early settlers and their descendants have come down to us in their houses, furniture and utensils, and in their customs and personal belongings, evidence the comfort and simplicity in which they lived and their sense of the value of the picturesque and the beautiful in their homes and environment. They chose sightly locations for their homes, on gently sloping hillsides, or by the waterside, with a longing thought of the motherland, and even the simplest country houses were models of comfort and quaint homelikeness and excellent workmanship, as of a people long past the rude beginnings of pioneer life. The low, substantial stone houses were picturesque, and into them went handwrought timbers and shingles and solid masonry. Within were immense fireplaces with Dutch hearth tiles, broad window seats, wonderful scenic wall paper and the substantial furniture brought from Holland. The burnished metal utensils, the handwrought plate, and artistic Delft ware added the touch of brightness to the interior. The things they used in everyday life were artistic and of sound workmanship, so that today what survive of them is kept in museums and chief rooms and copied diligently by a generation awakening to the value of beauty in the common life. —Mrs. Henry Wade Rogers, in October House Beautiful.

ANGLICANS AND THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY

Discuss Proposal to Prohibit Weddings at Private Houses.

At Vancouver on Wednesday an interesting discussion over proposed changes in the Anglican canons governing the marriage ceremony took place at the opening session of the annual meeting of the synod of New Westminster. The synod convened at Christ church with His Lordship the Bishop of New Westminster presiding. During the session an amendment was introduced to prohibit any Anglican clergyman performing a marriage ceremony in a private house except by the special permission of the bishop of the diocese. It was pointed out that the amending clause could easily be evaded, and the motion was finally withdrawn after considerable discussion. But the feeling of the majority of the clergymen present at the meeting of the synod was so overwhelmingly in favor of the amendment that the Bishop announced that its provisions are to be carried out as fully as if the amendment had gone into force. Incidentally it was shown that the finances of the diocese were in a flourishing condition, and that splendid results were being accomplished in the way of missionary work.

Rev. A. A. Dorrell of Ashcroft, seconded by Rev. H. J. Underhill, submitted an amendment to the canons to the effect that no Anglican clergyman solemnize a marriage ceremony in a private dwelling that is within five miles of a church unless by the special permission of the bishop of the diocese.

In submitting the motion for discussion His Lordship the Bishop of New Westminster said that while he was heartily in accord with the amendment, the provision might make it decidedly awkward at times both for the clergyman and the contracting parties. In view of the terrible condition of affairs to which the marriage laws of the United States had sunk at the present time, His Lordship thought that all care should be exercised to keep the institution of matrimony as dignified and the ceremony as holy as possible, and that nothing should be done to take away one iota of the solemnity of the ceremony. Unless there were very good and sufficient reasons to the contrary, people should come to the church to be married in accordance with the canons of the Anglican church, and take their vows in the presence of God and before the whole world. It was a serious question and should not be considered lightly.

The synod then went into committee of the whole with Judge Bole in the chair to further discuss the question. In taking the chair Judge Bole read from the canons of the church covering the marriage ceremony. From a judicial point of view he thought that the amendment was somewhat indefinite in so far that the couple who wished to evade the clause in the question might get married in a field. He pointed out that the clause only covered private dwellings.

The motion was finally withdrawn.

TREAT PRISONERS VERY WELL.

Russians Don't Complain of Confinement in Japan.

A correspondent of the Outlook relates a conversation with a Russian prisoner:

"What regiment did you belong to and where were you taken prisoner?" I asked.

"I belonged to a regiment of Siberian rifles and we were originally stationed at Port Arthur, but soon after the beginning of the war we were sent to Kaiien-ching."

"How do the Japanese treat you?" I inquired. "They seem to me to be a very good sort of people, and I'm sorry you Russians are fighting them."

"They treat us very well," he said, "and I've nothing to complain of at all. I didn't come to fight them because I here them any ill will, but I was a soldier, and when the gossudar (the czar) ordered me to fight I had to fight. As you say they seem to be a very good sort of people, and I wish them all prosperity."

This sentiment seemed to have the approval of the rest of the men, who numbered 75 or 100, and the feeling thus expressed is probably that of a majority of the common soldiers of the Russian army. They have some reason for hating the Turks but they regard the Japanese either with indifference or with the kindly interest that the Russian peasant takes in all "good people." They fight them not because they hate them, but because the gossudar has so ordered.

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DISCUSS WORK OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

B. C. Branch of International Association Convenes This Evening.

One of the most important Sunday school conventions ever held in this city will commence its sessions this evening in the First Presbyterian church, presided over by the president, Mr. N. Shakespeare. Papers will be read on various phases of Sunday school work. Discussion will follow the reading of each paper. This evening an address will be delivered by the Rev. W. C. Merrett, of Tacoma, subject "International Affiliation and its Benefits." There will be three sessions commencing this evening, tomorrow afternoon and evening. To each of these the public are cordially invited. All Sunday school workers should be present. The complete programme follows:

FRIDAY EVENING.

7:30 to 7:45—Devotional exercises by E. A. Lewis.

7:45 to 8:15—Opening exercises and words of welcome by President N. Shakespeare.

8:15 to 8:50—Address, "International Affiliation and Its Benefits," Rev. W. C. Merritt, Tacoma.

8:50—Musical selections.

9:00 to 9:15—Paper, "The Present Day Sunday School, Its Aim and Object," Alfred Huggett.

9:15 to 9:30—Discussion of paper.

9:30—Collection, reports of district officer, appointment of committees, etc.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30 to 2:45—Devotional exercises by Dr. G. Telford, Vancouver.

2:45 to 3:00—Paper, "Relationship of Teacher to Superintendent," Rev. J. F. Vichert.

3:00 to 3:15—Discussion of paper.

3:15 to 3:30—Paper, "Relationship of Teacher to Class," C. S. Keith, New Westminster.

3:30 to 3:45—Discussion of paper.

3:45 to 4:10—Round table, Rev. W. C. Merritt, Tacoma.

4:10 to 4:25—"Primary Work," Mrs. E. A. Lewis.

4:25 to 4:40—Discussion of paper.

SATURDAY EVENING.

7:30 to 7:45—Devotional exercises.

7:45 to 8:10—Paper, "Point of Contact in Teaching," E. A. Leeson, Vancouver.

8:10 to 8:25—Discussion of paper.

8:25 to 8:45—Paper, from Mrs. Templar, delegate from British Columbia to the Sunday school convention at Jerusalem.

8:45—Special address by D. S. Johnston, of Tacoma, delegate to the Sunday school convention at Jerusalem.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

3:00—Mass meeting of Sunday school scholars, teachers and friends to hear an address by D. S. Johnston on "Reminiscences and Lessons to Be Learned from the World's Sunday School Convention at Jerusalem." At the Metropolitan Methodist church.

SUNDAY EVENING.

8:15—Mass meeting of Sunday school workers and friends. Special talk by Rev. W. C. Merritt, "Organization and Evangelization."

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Shawnigan Lake	10:20	10:46	Shawnigan Lake	4:20	5:40
Duncans	11:00	10:02	Duncans	5:00	5:0[illegible]
Ladysmith	11:57	9:10	Ladysmith	5:52	4:0[illegible]
Nanaimo	12:40	8:20	Nanaimo	6:42	3:15
Ar. Wellington	12:53	Lv. 8:00	Ar. Wellington	6:55	De. 3:00

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New York, Oct. 27.—Close: Amal Copper 64¾; Ann Loco 26⅜; pfd 98; Ann Sugar 137⅜; Ann Smelting 70⅞; Ann Car Fdy 25½; A T & S F 85¼; B & O 93; B R T 65¼; C P R 127½; Can Sou 67¼; C & O 44½; C & N W 193¾; C M & St P 170⅜; Colo Sou 21¼; pfd 53½; Con Gas N Y 214¼; C F & I 40⅜; Corn Prods 16; Det United Ry 73½; D L & W 295; D & H 178; D & R G 30½; pfd 82¾; Gen Elec 174; Jersey Cent 192; Ills Cent 142¼; Iowa Cent 26½; pfd 48½; K & T 29⅝; pfd 57½; L & N 132⅜; Manhattan 160¼; Mo Pac 103⅜; Met St Ry 125½; N Y C & H 133¼; Erie 37¼; 1st pfd 71⅛; 2nd pfd 56½; N Y O & W 43⅜; N & W 70¾; Peo Gas 106¾; Phila & Reading 87½; Sou Ry 34; Sou Pac 69⅜; T C & I 55; Tex Pac 33¾; Twin City 103¼; U S Steel 19¾; pfd 79⅝; U S Rubber 27⅞; pfd 82¾; Union Pacific 11; Wabash 21; pfd 42⅜; W U 92¾; Wisconsin Cent 21¼; pfd 44½; MacKay 33; pfd 72¼; C P R in London 132¼ ex rights; Pac Mail 37 1-4; Penna 135⅛; Pressed Steel 30⅝; pfd 80½.

PASSENGERS.

Passengers per steamer Princess Victoria, from Vancouver, Wednesday: J. W. Ward, R. Ward, L. Gifter, S. A. Courtenay, M. Mellish, W. Johnson, T. Hulbert, M. Ellison, T. G. Earle, Mrs. Galbraith, T. G. Moody, Mrs. Moody, W. Wright, —. Hicks, J. W. McGregor, W. H. Pegram, S. Rogers, J. Sinclair, Mrs. Murray, S. Davey, Mrs. C'ay, H. Donkin, Mr. Thomas, J. T. Martin, Mrs. McIntosh, W. E. Drainie, J. McDougal, S. Finch, D. Macaulay, Miss Davis, B. S. Mieri, J. L. G. Abbott, E. Ferrett, Jas. Breen, M. Lelser, S. Lelser, G. W. Malpas, D. W. Glass, D. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Carr, Miss Carr, W. Farrell, O. C. Dennis, C. Strachan, M. Letts, —. Lockwood, B. Gault.

Passengers per steamer Princess Victoria from Vancouver, Thursday: S. Johnson, R. Maxwell, H. McLean, E. T. Kingsley, E. Gladwyn, E. H. Hill, J. Mulholland, Miss Woodrow, C. A. Bigger, Capt. Jacquot, P. Hart, —. Nicholson, P. R. Quam and wife, Mrs. Chamberlain, P. E. McMillan, J. M. Turner, Capt. Long, J. M. Hamilton, J. Walts, G. Downie, W. J. Casey, Wm. McNeill, J. B. Adams, Major Dupont, W. Goldsmith and wife, G. D. Ramsay, Miss Bush, Mr. Dudley, F. H. Miller, Mrs. Miller, W. R. Coleman, F. J. Ashton, —. Spencer, J. Wood, D. King, R. Ross and wife, A. Park, W. McPherson, Mr. and Mrs. Know, W. H. Davidson, M. McIntosh, F. Pettipiece, G. C. Dyer and wife, Prof. Dongour Jonty, G. Clark, F. Cruthers, Mr. Marshall.

Passengers per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle, Thursday: J. F. Richards, T. A. Harris, Mrs. Harris, F. M. Branch, F. G. Meyers, Mrs. Meyers, R. Walker, Mr. Lester, Mr. Blackeston, R. Wells, Thos. G. Mason, W. Appleton, C. A. Harrison, J. F. Johnson, Geo. Johnson, A. D. Cleveland, J. M. Strobridge, Mrs. Strobridge, D. Nicholas, Wm. B. Estell, Miss Wells, J. A. Hyndman, Mrs. Hyndman, Mr. Jauson, R. P. Thompson, Mrs. Thompson, Wm. Beal, Mrs. Falleson and son, J. P. Quinn, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Ellison, W. M. Sanderson, Mrs. Sanderson, Miss Wells, J. H. Lawson, jr., L. R. Mason, Mr. Burchell, The County Chairman Theatrical Company.

THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, Oct. 28—8 p. m.

SYNOPSIS.

The pressure has diminished over the province and the greater portion of the North Pacific states, but is increasing again on the California coast. With the exception of fog on the Straits and the Columbia river, fair, pleasant weather has continued throughout both the Pacific slope and the Canadian Northwest, and no precipitation has occurred. Further north in the Yukon the weather continues fair and cold.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	44	52
New Westminster	36	54
Kamloops	03	52
Barkerville	03	54
Dawson, Y. T.	16	26
Calgary, Alta.	36	64
Winnipeg, Man.	30	56
Portland, Ore.	44	66
San Francisco, Cal.	54	58

FORECASTS

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time) Friday:

Victoria and vicinity: Light to moderate winds; generally fair with fog.

Lower Mainland: Light winds; fair at first, with fog on the Straits, and probably showers tonight or Saturday.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m., noon and p. m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	45	Mean	46
Noon	47	Highest	51
5 p.m.	44	Lowest	41

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ..... Calm.
Noon ..... 4 miles northeast.
5 p.m. ..... 4 miles southeast.

Average state of weather—Foggy.

Sunshine—3 minutes 18 seconds.

Barometer at noon—Observed.....30.066
Corrected.....30.093

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected.....30.04

GOOD DIGESTION.

If you can keep your digestive system in proper condition the body will be well nourished and you need have little fear of disease. By regulating the kidneys, liver and bowels Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills ensure a healthful condition of the organs of digestion and for this reason are indispensable as a family medicine.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office,
October 19 to 25, 1904.

The weather in British Columbia during the past week has been characterized by the light precipitation in the southern part of the province, the general lightness of winds, and the long duration of high barometric pressure, these factors combining to cause the phenomenally fine weather which has prevailed during the whole week. The pressure has been abnormally high for this season of the year, reaching in Victoria 30.53 inches on the 19th. A storm area from the ocean passed over the upper part of the province on the 21st and 22nd, causing rain on the lower mainland and a heavy fall of sleet and snow at Barkerville; this area in its course crossed the Rockies and traversing the eastern Northwest finally culminated in a display of much energy in the region of the Great Lakes. Precipitation has also been light in the Pacific states; a good deal of fog occurred at various points, and occasionally bush fire smoke. Light frosts are reported on the higher lands, but maximum temperatures have been unusually high in many places, reaching over 80 in California and over 70 on the Oregon coast. Fresh easterly gales, but without rainfall, occurred on the 25th at the entrance to the Straits of Fuca and at the mouth of the Columbia river. In the Northwest snow fell at most stations and moderately cold weather has been general; but at the close of the week a great increase of pressure is reported and with fair weather.

At Victoria 33 hours and 12 minutes of bright sunshine were registered; highest temperature 64.0 on 25th; lowest 42.2 on 20; no rain.

At New Westminster—Highest temperature 62 on 21st and 25th; lowest 38 on 21st and 25th; rainfall 0.24 inch.

At Kamloops—Highest temperature 58 on 20th and 23rd; lowest, 28 on 25th; precipitation

At Barkerville—Highest temperature 56 on 25th; lowest 24 on 24th; precipitation inch.

At Dawson—Highest temperature 50 on 21st; lowest 8 on 23rd; snow 2 inches.

RUSSIANS' RARE COURAGE.

Incidents From History.

There is a monument at Turkestan to several Russian soldiers captured by Turcomans in 1879. They were artillerymen and their guns were captured with them; so the Turcomans naturally ordered them, on penalty of death, to serve those guns against their own comrades. Every man refused, choosing death by horrible torture, and dying without a murmur.

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This passion for self-sacrifice is the keynote of the Russian character, and is cultivated in the army by every possible means. The recruit is invariably told the story of that heroic company of infantrymen in the Lomakin expedition into Turkestan who, at a critical moment, threw themselves into a deep ditch in order that the guns, which were sorely needed at the front, might be galloped over their bodies. It is doubtful whether this could have happened in any army but the Russian.

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If there is one thing in which the Russian army excels it is marching. Lord Roberts' famous march to Candahar has been equalled over and over again by the Tsar's troops in their Central Asia campaigns. When General Kuropatkin marched a force of Turkestan troops to join Skobeleff in the attack on Geok Tepe, he and his men were swallowed up in an unknown, trackless desert for 26 days, yet they covered over 40 miles a day, and marched in at the end of the time in perfect military order, without a single man sick or fallen out. It was a wonderful feat, but it was not regarded in Russian military circles as being anything extraordinary.

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A former captain of the Russian army told of a friend of his who lived for years in a small town, and was then ordered away to St. Petersburg. In less than six months he received a command to return and promptly blew his brains out.

"Nobody was surprised," was his comment. "We all know what life in such places is like. A man can be happy in Siberia on a lonely outpost, where he has no companion of his own rank within 100 miles, but there is no happiness possible in a small Russian garrison town for a man of average intelligence."

A LESSON IN HARMONY.

Though no one in England has had the temerity to suggest it, probably the reason why Alfred Austin didn't sign his name to the curtain-raiser which he recently submitted to Arthur Bourchier was that he was afraid it might be refused (suggests the correspondent of a Frisco paper). Doubtless Mr. Austin thought that it would never do to allow a London manager to turn down the poet laureate. But when Bourchier's official "reader" came to the anonymous manuscript of "A Lesson in Harmony" he found it so promising that he at once commended it to the actor-manager's attention. He also asked Mr. Bourchier to note a letter which accompanied the playlet, and in which the nameless dramatist wrote: "Should this little piece be accepted the author makes it a condition that Mr. Bourchier will himself play the part."

Upon reading the piece Bourchier liked it so much that he wrote, asking the anonymous one to call, and was electrified at the appointed hour to find himself facing the poet laureate. It was soon arranged between them, however, that Mr. Austin's comedietta should be produced as a curtain-raiser to W. S. Gilbert's "The Fairy's Dilemma," which is now the attraction at the Garrick. Hitherto the poet laureate has not enjoyed great success as a dramatist. His "Flodden Field" was given a lavish production by Beerbohm Tree at a special performance at His Majesty's, but it was roasted by the critics and Tree has never thought it best to put it into the regular bill.

THE USE OF BORDEN'S

Eagle Brand Condensed Milk insures strong, healthy children, as reputable physicians testify. Those who use it for their babies are spared the dangerous disorders of infantile digestion; their children mature as they should in weight, size and health. Beware of unknown brands.

TIDE TABLE

October 1904.

(Issued by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Date	Day	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
		h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	Sa.	1:43	2.4					17:34	7.4
2	S.	2:37	2.3					18:23	7.4
3	M.	3:34	2.3	13:08	6.8	15:30	6.7	19:36	7.2
4	Tu.	4:31	2.3	12:48	6.9	16:58	6.4	21:29	6.9
5	W.	5:26	2.4	12:54	7.0	18:08	5.7	23:12	6.9
6	Th.	6:18	2.7	13:10	7.2	19:00	4.9		
7	F.	0:35	7.0	7:07	3.0	13:31	7.5	19:46	4.0
8	Sa.	1:33	7.1	7:53	3.4	13:55	7.8	20:31	3.1
9	S.	2:48	7.2	8:36	4.0	14:22	8.1	21:16	2.4
10	M.	3:52	7.2	9:17	4.6	14:51	8.2	22:03	1.9
11	Tu.	4:58	7.1	9:59	5.3	15:22	8.2	22:53	1.5
12	W.	6:14	7.0	10:45	5.9	15:54	8.1	23:45	1.5
13	Th.	7:50	7.1	11:40	6.4	16:24	7.9		
14	F.	0:38	1.5	9:36	7.2	12:52	6.8	16:48	7.5
15	Sa.	1:33	1.8	10:49	7.4	14:18	6.9	17:02	7.1
16	S.	2:30	2.2	11:40	7.5				
17	M.	3:26	2.6	12:19	7.4				
18	Tu.	4:19	3.1	12:36	7.3	19:34	5.6	22:20	5.8
19	W.	5:10	3.5	12:40	7.3	19:37	5.2	23:58	5.7
20	Th.	5:59	3.9	12:50	7.3	19:49	4.6		
21	F.	1:11	5.9	6:45	4.3	13:06	7.4	20:08	4.1
22	Sa.	2:08	6.2	7:26	4.6	13:25	7.5	20:31	3.5
23	S.	2:55	6.4	8:02	4.9	13:46	7.7	20:58	3.0
24	M.	3:39	6.6	8:38	5.3	14:10	7.8	21:29	2.5
25	Tu.	4:28	6.8	9:13	5.7	14:36	7.9	22:05	2.1
26	W.	5:26	6.9	9:47	6.1	14:57	7.9	22:45	1.8
27	Th.	6:28	7.0	10:20	6.6	15:12	8.0	23:28	1.6
28	F.	7:40	7.1	10:58	6.9	15:27	7.9		
29	Sa.	0:14	1.6	9:10	7.2	12:00	7.1	16:00	7.8
30	S.	1:04	1.7	10:04	7.4	13:23	7.2	16:42	7.5
31	M.	1:57	1.9	10:31	7.4	14:49	7.0	17:35	7.1

Zero of above heights corresponds to 11 feet in the fairway of Victoria harbor.

The time used is Pacific standard for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

ESQUIMALT.

For time of high water add 14 minutes to H. W. at Victoria

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NOTICE

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LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.

NOTICE

Tenders

Sealed and endorsed "Tenders for Debentures" will be received at the office of the undersigned until Monday, the 28th day of November, 1904, at 4 p. m., for the purchase, in whole or in part, of Local Improvement debentures of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, as follows:

1. Debentures amounting to $12,497.20, issued under authority of the "Yates Street Local Improvement By-law," dated 1st May, 1904, maturing 1st day of May, 1914. Of the said debentures $7,368.60 are issued upon the credit of the real property immediately benefited by the work of local improvement, and $5,128.60 upon the credit of the whole municipality.

2. Debentures amounting to $12,528.37, issued under authority of the "Yates Street (Upper Part) Local Improvement By-law," dated the 10th day of June, 1904, maturing the 10th day of June, 1914, and secured upon the credit of the whole municipality.

3 Debentures amounting to $16,762.54, dated the 15th day of September, 1904, maturing 15th day of September, 1914, and secured upon the credit of the whole municipality.

The denomination of the debentures (with the exception of remainders) is $500.00, and they bear interest at 4 per cent. per annum, payable half yearly at the office of the City Treasurer, Victoria. The tenderer must state the net price at Victoria which he will pay. In addition to the net price the purchaser will have to pay the Corporation the interest on the said debentures, for the period between the date of issue of each set of debentures, as above mentioned, and the date of receipt of the purchase money therefor by the City Treasurer.

The Corporation does not bind itself to accept any tender.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., October 18th, 1904.

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

In the matter of an application for a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to Part of Lots Twenty-seven (27), Twenty-eight (28) and Twenty-nine (29), Cloverdale, Victoria District (Map 51).

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above lands, issued to Helena Brunton, on the 16th day of January, 1891, and numbered 11031a.

C. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., 23rd day of September, 1904.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that George Hooper having this day retired from the partnership or firm of Hooper Bros., Lumbermen and Sawmill owners, that the business will be carried on as heretofore by William Hooper, Tom Hooper, and Lewis Hooper, to whom all debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented.

Dated at Duncan's, V. I., B. C., this 29th day of July, 1904.

GEORGE HOOPER,
WILLIAM HOOPER,
LEWIS HOOPER,
A. T. HOOPER.

Witness:
J. H. WHITTOME.

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THE RICHARDSON Employment Agency is removed to 60 Rae street. Business hours, 10:30 to 1:30. J. Devereaux. my29

WANTED—FEMALE HELP

WANTED—Good nurse; also housemaid; small family. P. O. Box 419. o28

WANTED — Experienced housemaid and three general maids (city); good wages. 60 Rae street. o23

WANTED—A first-class cook, one who understands waiting on table and cooking. Call between 9 and 12. "Lima," Birdcage Walk. o18

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

WANTED—By a young lady, graduate of an eastern college, position as stenographer and assistant bookkeeper. Address P. O. Box 575, Victoria.

WANTED—Young lady, domesticated and of a cheerful, kindly disposition, seeks position as useful companion to an invalid lady (country preferred). 60 Rae street. o23

WANTED—Young lady (English) desires position as governess. Musical. "F.," Colonist. jy17

WANTED—MALE HELP.

WANTED—Immediately, a representative in Victoria for the Canadian Correspondence College. Only men of energy, reliability and fair education need apply. Liberal contract to right man. Apply giving full information of qualification and reference to Provincial Manager, P. O. box 191, Kamloops, B. C.

BOYS WANTED—To work in store, inquire 59 Government Street.

WANTED—Married man as care-taker for a Ranch on one of the Islands in the Gulf, must be used to boats. Apply to J. Musgrave, 17 Trounce Avenue.

BOY WANTED—Apply 81 Douglas street. o26

WANTED—Young man for general help in produce store. "Y. Z.," Colonist. o23

DETECTIVES—Every locality, good salary, experience unnecessary. Inter-State Detective Agency, Milwaukee, Wis. o23

WANTED—Smart boy wanted. Apply Angus Campbell & Co., 31 Fort street. o23

WANTED—Young man in office; must be able to write a fair hand. State wages expected and address in own handwriting, to "X. Y.," Colonist office. o22

MEN TO LEARN BARBER TRADE in eight weeks and secure profitable positions. Special inducements this month. Catalogue mailed free. Moler System College, San Francisco, California. o14

WANTED—A competent butter maker, with references, by the Victoria Creamery Association. Applications will be received by the secretary, Box 227, Victoria, not later than Thursday, October 20, 1904. Duties to commence on Thursday, December 1, 1904. State salary expected. o4

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.

WANTED—Japanese wants job cutting wood or bushing, or other farming work. 40 Kane street. o28

WANTED—Energetic man wants position as bookkeeper, traveler or salesman. Inquire "Energy," Colonist. o28

WANTED—By steady man, situation as groom and gardener, or any place of trust; experienced; excellent references. Apply "B. A. T.," Colonist office. s1

NEWSPAPERDOM—An experienced newspaper man is open to engagement—editor or reporter. Apply "Slug V." this office.

TO RENT—WHARF.

WHARF—Wharf at foot of Yates street, with warehouse. Rent $50 per month. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. o4

WATCHMAKER.

A. PETCH—99 Douglas street. Specialty of English watch repairing.

POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK.

FOR SALE—A good Jersey cow, price $20. Apply A. Clunk, Lampson street, near railway. o28

FOR SALE—Fat cow, 23 Walnut Street.

FOR SALE—Silver Pencilled Hamburgs, 1st prize winners, apply 107 Cormorant between 12 and 1.

FOR SALE—Several very good, young, shorthorn Durham Bulls, they are registered animals, splendidly bred, F. B. Pemberton, Victoria, B. C.

FOR SALE—Good family cow; also heifer, two months old. Apply W. H. Gibson, Prior street, off Hillside avenue. o26

FOR SALE—Young pigs for sale. John Turner, Royal Oak. o13

FOR SALE—Minorca pullets, $10 dozen; Minorca-Orpington pullets $9 dozen; Orpington hens $1; also cocker spaniel, broken, $10. Miss Exley, Sidney. o11

WANTED—200 pullets; state when hatched. Cameron, 19 Catherine street, W.

FOR SALE—Irish setter puppies by Mickey Green; also Irish setter bitch, good hunter. Apply evenings, except Saturday or Sunday, Wm. H. Peter, Harriet road, off Burnside. au24

FOR SALE—BOATS, ETC.

FOR SALE—Four rowboats, to carry from two to ten people; all with sails complete. One boat house. J. J. White, Sidney, B. C. o5

FOR SALE—SS. Mist. For particulars apply to Malcolm & Purvis, Salt Spring Island, B. C. au17

FOR SALE—Naphtha launch in good order. Apply "Launch," Colonist office.

TO LET OR LEASE.

TO LEASE AS GOING CONCERN—Tenders will be received until December 1, 1904, for the lease of the Victoria Dairy as a going concern. Extensive farm and finest herd of dairy stock in British Columbia. For information apply after 5th inst. to L. McRae, Cedar Hill Road. o28

MISCELLANEOUS.

TO RENT—Oriental dining room and kitchen. Oriental hotel, Yates street. o13

WHO'S HOLLIS?—Why, the chimney sweep! From 50c.; no mess. 4 Broughton street. au26

TO TRADESMEN AND OTHERS—Accounts kept and made up, large or small, daytime or evenings. Terms moderate. Apply "C. H. R.," 117 Menzies street. s30

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WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

WANTED TO BORROW—$500 for two years on city property. "Loan," care of Colonist. o28

WANTED—Plain sewing by the day. 88 Pandora avenue. o10

ENTERTAINMENTS.

ELEVENTH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT, L. T. B. Association, in A. O. U. W. Hall, Yates street, Friday evening, October 28, commencing at 8 o'clock. Good programme and refreshments. Admission 25 cents. o22

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THE KALEVAN KANSA C. CO., LTD. Sointula, B. C. (Malcolm Island)—We furnish rough and dressed fir, spruce, cedar and tamarack lumber; mouldings, pallster, shingles and boxes. Our door factory will open shortly, when we will be prepared to sell at the lowest market prices. We want the trade of the Northwest Coast. Our foundry is up-to-date in its fittings. We mould all kinds of castings and do machine repairing. Write for further particulars and prices to above address. s28

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WANTED—FARMS.

WANTED TO LEASE—A farm for three years, with the privilege of buying; 50 to 150 acres, with house and barns. Apply "R. T.," Colonist s29

LOST.

LOST—On Wednesday, black Spitz puppy dog; tan feet. Liberal reward if returned to Mrs. Smith, Edmonton Road. Any one found harboring the same after this date will be prosecuted. o28

LOST—Irish terrier puppy, answering to the name of "Dooley." Please return to Rev. W. Baugh Allen, Vancouver House, Vancouver street. o28

LOST—At Oak Bay grounds on Wednesday afternoon, pair of glasses with gold hairpin and chain attached. Reward. Return to 43 Government street. o28

LOST—Between Victoria Gardens and Ferguson's Transfer Stables, small black handbag, containing gentlemen's English lever watch, some small change and other articles. Finder return to Ferguson's Transfer Stables.

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FOUND—In Pedder Bay, Oct. 23, a flat-bottomed boat marked "J. C. Butcher." Owner may have same by paying expenses and applying to George Ball, Rocky Point, V. I., B. C.

FOUND—On Wharf street, Monday afternoon, a boy's blue jersey. Owner may have same by paying for this advertisement. s25

TO RENT—RESIDENCES.

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TO RENT—Twelve-roomed house, in good condition; centrally located, nice grounds, $30 a month. Inquire 93 Mears street. o22

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TO LET—Furnished or unfurnished, a number of desirable residences. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. je15

WANTED—TO PURCHASE.

WANTED—To lease or purchase. Small farm, within driving distance of Victoria, near salt water preferred. Full particulars to "R. W.," Colonist. s15

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TO RENT—ROOM AND BOARD.

ROOMS—Accommodation in private house; board or breakfast optional; large well furnished rooms; modern conveniences; phone; central; close to car lines; reasonable terms. Apply "M. C.," Colonist office. o6

TO RENT—Rooms with or without board. Oriental Hotel, Yates street. s24

TO LET—FURNISHED ROOMS.

TO RENT—Large furnished front room suitable for two, also smaller room, bath and every convenience. 99 Quadra off Pandora Street. o

TO LET—A large double-bedded, sunny front room for two gentlemen. Terms moderate. 108 Cormorant street. o26

BED AND SITTING ROOM TO RENT—Private family; new house, modern. 59 Heywood avenue. o18

BED AND SITTING ROOM TO RENT—Private family; new house, modern. "C. H.," Colonist office. o12

TO RENT—Furnished, sunny suite, all complete for housekeeping; gas stoves and bath. 98 Yates street. o9

FURNISHED ROOM with breakfast; all conveniences. 84 Discovery street. o6

TO LET—Furnished suite, also single room. 182 Fort street. s27

TO RENT—Furnished hotel dining room; good business; rent very reasonable. Address P. O. Box 20.

TO RENT—In private family, two comfortably furnished front bedrooms, facing the Bay; two minutes from Government Buildings; use of phone. Terms moderate. Address "Rex," Colonist

FOR RENT — Furnished housekeeping rooms for rent, with bath. 118 Fort

COFFEE AND SPICE MILLS.

VICTORIA COFFEE AND SPICE MILLS—Office and mills, 148 Government St. A. J. Morley, proprietor.

WANTED TO RENT.

WANTED TO RENT—Modern house, 7 or 8 rooms, centrally located. Address "House," Colonist office. o4

WANTED—To rent, a 4 or 5 room modern house close in. Apply "T. W. E. U.," Colonist. s23

FOR SALE—PROPERTY.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Four lots, 60x240 each, well situated in James Bay. For price and terms apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. o4

FOR SALE—106 acres at Prospect Lake, small portion improved. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. jy16

FOR SALE—Gorge Road, a number of desirable residential lots, close in, cheap, and terms if necessary. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, 40 Government street. je10

FOR SALE—$800, one-third of an acre James Bay, all cleared, rich black loam. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, 40 Government street. je

BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS.

C. A. McGREGOR, carpenter and jobber, 95 Yates street. Terms moderate. jy31

THOMAS CATTERALL—16 Broad street. Building in all its branches; wharf work and general jobbing. Tel. 820. j23

PLUMBERS, ETC.

C. M. COOKSON—97 Johnson street. Sanitary plumbing, jobbing and out-of-town orders a specialty. Victoria agent for the famous Gurney and Oxford stoves and ranges. Telephone 674.

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A. HARRIS — Yacht, Launch, Boat and Canoe Builder. Repairs, etc. 65 Work street, Rock Bay. m28

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A Number of New Homes, Modern in Every Respect. Easy Monthly Installments

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40 Government St.

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FOR SALE—South African Land War Scrip. Address "G. O." this office.

FOR SALE—Piano, (Heintzman) on easy terms, best make, nearly new. H. H. Colonist.

FOR SALE—One planer, capacity six inches by twenty-two; one edger, capacity six inches by forty; second hand, at Marine Iron Works. o26

FOR SALE—Two contracts in the People's Loan & Deposit Co., ow numbers. 84 Yates street. o2

FOR SALE—Slab wood. Lemon, Gonnason & Co., Orchard and Government streets. Telephone 77. s3

500 CORDS GOOD DRY WOOD, within half mile siding—Cowichan Station, E. & N. Ry. Apply Chas. Pannell, Cowichan Station, B. C. s1

FOR SALE—A six-oared pleasure boat, will hold about nine people. Apply T. Luscombe, Garbally Road. au7

FOR SALE—Single top buggy and a sextant, both in good condition. Apply Montana Restaurant, Outer Wharf. jy21

FOR SALE—Back bar mirrors and shelfs. Apply The Palace, 56 Yates street. jy17

FOR SALE—TIMBER LIMITS.

LARGE TRACTS of timber land, both crown granted and leasehold; cedar, spruce and fir and other woods. For particulars apply to B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street.

FOR SALE—300 acres of first-class fir, on Cowichan Lake, averaging 80,000 feet per acre; conveniently located, and can be logged very cheaply; crown granted. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street.

FOR SALE—FARM LANDS.

FOR SALE—85½ acres good farming land, Strawberry Vale. Price $245. Apply A. Clunk, Victoria West P. O. o28

FOR SALE—50 acres water frontage on Cordova Bay, $50 per acre. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. o13

FARM FOR SALE—To close an estate, price $15,000; easy terms; beautifully situated at Metchosin, on sea front; about 300 acres, 130 cultivated, balance in pasture, no rocks; large residence, barns and stabling; suitable for dairying. Apply to Henry C. Helgesen, farmer, Metchosin, B. C. o11

FOR SALE—25 acres, 4 miles from Victoria post office; partly under cultivation, with small building. Price $1,350. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. o4

$1,650—45 acres, 10 under cultivation; new 5-roomed house, barns, etc.; running stream; 12 miles from Victoria, on a good road. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. au13

FOR SALE—19 acres, house, barns, etc., all under cultivation, 5 miles from town, close to salt water, large orchard and small fruits of all descriptions; black loam with clay subsoil; $3,700. Apply B.C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. au4

$1600—Comox, 1 mile from wharf, 160 acres, 20 acres cultivated, ditched and fenced, 40 acres alder bottom, balance good pasture land; small 2-roomed cabin; soil very rich. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government

CADBORO BAY—21 acres, all under cultivation, good buildings, chicken runs, etc., including growing crops. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. je26

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Cheap Acre for Sale

A very good corner acre lot for sale on Dominion Road. Price..... $525

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Formal Nomination Of The Candidates

Returning Officer Makes His Announcement of Names of Men Running.

Long List of Leading Electors Who Have Pledged Support to Col. Prior.

At 2 o'clock p. m. yesterday Hinkson Siddall, the returning officer, made formal declaration of the nomination of the candidates who will seek the suffrages of the electors of Victoria on November 3rd next. This proceeding was entirely devoid of public interest as no "dark horses" were forthcoming, the candidates being those who have been before the public for weeks past as the announced standard-bearers of the three parties in the contest—the Conservatives, Liberals and Socialists. The returning officer made formal announcement of the names of the candidates, as follows

EDWARD GAWLOR PRIOR, merchant, Conservative.
George Riley, contractor, Liberal.
James Cameron Watters, boiler maker, Socialist.

The nomination papers of Colonel Prior were subscribed to by the following electors:

W. J. MABLE.
LAWRENCE GOODACRE.
J. T. CROOT.
G. S. RUSSELL.
G. S. FUTCHER.
W. W. BOOTH.
L. G. McQUADE.
J. E. PHILLIPS.
ED. BRAGGE.
D. B. BOGLE.
D. R. KER.
C. W. RHODES.
W. C. MORESBY.
CHARLES HAYWARD.
GEORGE PENKETH.
ALEXANDER DUNCAN.
W. LUNEY, JUN.
ANGUS McKEON.
J. H. BROWN.
HENRY CALLOW.
W. H. PRICE.
GEORGE JEEVES.
H. F. W. BEHNSON.
H. D. HELMCKEN.
H. B. ROBERTSON.
R. E. GOSNELL.
THOMAS CASHMORE.
THOMAS HOOPER.
WILLIAM ALLEN.
E. C. B. BAGSHAWE.
ALEX. MONTEITH.
S. H. ROBLIN.
E. W. MUSSON.
DR. GEORGE H. DUNCAN.
JOHN BLACK.
B. B. TEMPLE.
DR. R. MORRISON.
JAMES BAKER.
JOHN BAKER.
ALBERT GRIFFITHS.
W. J. KELLY.
FRANK JONES.
WM. HASSARD.
PETER JAMIESON.
H. P. JOHNSON.
ANDREW BLYGH.
J. G. THOMSON.
WM. HARRISON.
GEORGE DAVIES.
CHRISTIAN HOLT.
JOHN IRVIN.
GEORGE GAUNSON.
R. JAEGER.
D. HART.
JOSEPH MAYER.
F. R. ALLAT.
J. W. BOLDEN.
P. J. RIDDELL.
GEORGE WHITFIELD.
ROBERT CHADWICK.
J. J. BOTHWELL.
E. J. SALMON.
ALEX. RIDDELL.
W. D. FERRIS.
J. H. ECCLES.
J. S. A. AULD.
W. E. AULD.
J. E. CURTIS.
ROBERT ECCLES.
JAMES TOWNSLEY.
WM. E. OTTWAY.
D. J. McDONALD.
WILLIAM SHORT.
R. W. ROPER.
J. H. GRIFFITHS.
P. K. WINCH.
J. P. STEWART.
JOSEPH BUCKLEY.
T. J. DEARBERG.
H. MAYNARD.
H. RICHARDSON.
J. P. BURGESS.
D. L. DAVIES.
WILLIAM LORIMER.
T. S. EATON.
A. W. JAQUES.
J. C. MACKAY.
W. J. ELLIOTT.
BRAMSTON LASH.
F. W. SWINERS.

Mr. Riley's papers were signed by F. B. Gregory, John Piercy and a considerable number of others.

Mr. Watters' papers were signed by Ormond Lee Charlton, F. D. T. Hodges and about 23 others.

George Jay has been appointed agent for Colonel Prior; Frank Higgins will act in that capacity for Geo. Riley, and Mr. Watters' agent will be Arne John Arnason.

Electors are again reminded of the fact that the polls, under the Dominion Elections Act, will open at 9 a. m. and close at 5 o'clock p. m. All votes must be polled between those hours.

As the local political campaign progresses towards its conclusion, constantly increasing activity is being manifested amongst the rank and file of both parties, and a contest which bade fair to be a remarkably quiet one is developing no little excitement, little crowds now being noticed each day on the street corners discussing the issues and the merits of the respective candidates.

A notable circumstance which occasioned no little talk about the streets yesterday is that an impression is gaining ground that Colonel Prior, as the campaign proceeds, is gaining strength constantly. This is admitted even by the Liberals, and as for Colonel Prior's host of willing workers, they feel the utmost confidence that the Conservative banner will be carried to victory by the colonel by a very large majority. The little enthusiasm which was at first manifested on behalf of the chances of the Liberal candidate seems to have waned to the vanishing point, and the rank and file of that party have awakened to the fact that in Mr. George Riley they have a very weak candidate—a man who cannot help himself, but must be coddled and supported by "spellbinders" to be in the running at all. Very many of the better element in the Liberal party are not slow in expressing themselves as opposed to sending to Ottawa a man incapable of properly representing the capital of so great a province as British Columbia, a man not able to express his views on the floor of the House of Commons in a fashion which would command attention.

This evening the last meeting of the present week will be held in the interests of Colonel Prior at Spring Ridge, when addresses will be delivered by the Conservative candidate and other prominent speakers.

On Monday evening a big mass meeting will be held in the A. O. U. W. hall. The chief speaker on this occasion will be George Cowan, K. C., of Vancouver, one of the ablest political debaters in the province. Mr. Cowan will take for his theme "Better Terms," and will present the case for the province in the strongest light, and in such a manner as to entertain while instructing the large audience which will undoubtedly be assembled to hear him and the other speakers of the evening.

A monster rally of all the forces of Colonel Prior will be held at the Victoria theatre on Wednesday evening, November 2. A fine array of speakers will be present on this occasion, the chief speakers being Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, admittedly one of the foremost campaign orators in Canada; George Cowan and Colonel Prior.

The campaign in Kamloops division was opened Wednesday evening by a rousing meeting held in the opera house at the inland capital. Telegraphic advices received by the Colonist are to the effect that Martin Burrell, the Conservative candidate, got a most enthusiastic reception and created a most favorable impression. The meeting was a joint one, Duncan Ross, the Liberal candidate, and Burns, the Socialist candidate, also speaking. The meeting was a lively one.

PRETTY AUTUMN WEDDING.

Popular Young Couple United in Marriage at Calvary Baptist Church.

Calvary Baptist church was the scene of a very pretty wedding Wednesday evening, the contracting parties being two popular young Victorians, Miss Margaret H. Roe and Mr. Herbert Bruce. The nuptial knot was tied by the Rev. J. F. Vichert in the presence of a host of friends of the bride and groom, the church having been very prettily decorated for the occasion by Miss Mary Hutcheson and Mr. Walter Ford, the bridal party standing under a wedding bell of chrysanthemums and smilax.

The bride, who was given away by her father, Mr. Robert Roe, looked very pretty indeed, wearing a dress of white voile over silk, with a veil trimmed with pearls and orange blossoms and carried a shower bouquet of white carnations and bridal roses. The bride's traveling dress consisted of green tweed trimmed with green and white, with white beaver hat to match. The bridesmaid, Miss Jeannie Gribbon, looked charming in a dress of white voile over silk, and carried a bouquet of white carnations.

The Rev. Mr. Carson acted in the capacity of groomsman. The groom's gift to the bride was a handsome fur, and to the bridesmaid a gold cross and chain. Miss Flora Allen made a very pretty flower girl.

After the ceremony the immediate friends of the bride and groom repaired to the residence of the bride's parents on David street, where supper was spread and a pleasant evening spent. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce left on the Beatrice on a tour of the Sound cities, and upon their return will take up their residence in Victoria West, where Mr. Bruce has just erected a pretty home.

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Dr. Chase's Ointment

In A Smother Of Dense Fog

Harbor and Straits Enveloped Last Night in an Impenetrable Haze.

Last News of Mercantile Marine on the Coast and the Ocean.

Last night will be remembered by local navigators as one marked by the worst fog in a long time. The smother lay most of the afternoon and evening, thickly over the harbor and adjacent strait, and was reported to extend far out toward Cape Flattery. Navigation was rendered thereby both difficult and dangerous, and the melancholy booming of fog horns and sirens told of ships moving cautiously in the gloom. Occasionally the haze lightened a bit, but not for long, the fog descending again as thickly as ever. The Boston Steamship Company's big vessel, the Shawmut, from Manila, via China and Japan, for Victoria and the Sound was not reported up to a late hour last night, and was supposed to be delayed somewhere outside by the fog. The local steamers found it no easy matter to make port. Toward midnight there were signs that the fog was going to clear off, and it was hoped that by this morning this serious impediment to navigation would be gone entirely.

VICTORIA FROM NOME.

Brings Latest News of the Far Northern Country.

Steamship Victoria, Captain H. P. Weaver, of the Northwestern Commercial Company's fleet, came in from Nome last night with 516 passengers and $225,000 in treasure, says the Post-Intelligencer of yesterday. Her reports, together with telegrams received yesterday, give the sailing and probable date of departure of every vessel to return from Nome. By this time doubtless the last, the steamer Corwin, has sailed. Some uneasiness was felt regarding the latter on account of a report which reached the gold fields metropolis to the effect that the vessel had been caught in an Arctic ice jam and would probably not be able to extricate herself, and if she did that it would be too late to work her way down through the strait into Behring sea. But she was back at Nome October 18, on the date of the Victoria's sailing, and at that time it was estimated that she and the Alaska Commercial Company's Portland would sail October 25.

The San Francisco steamship St. Paul sailed from Nome October 17 for Seattle by way of Dutch Harbor, and the Roanoke was scheduled to put to sea October 20. On the 22nd of the month, according to telegrams received yesterday by their owners, the steamships Oregon and Tacoma sailed from Nome for Seattle. The former, which is scheduled to arrive Sunday, left with 304 passengers. She is completing her sixth voyage of the season, and the Tacoma, which made two trips across from Nome to Northeastern Siberian ports, is winding up her fourth trip. The Tacoma will have the last advices of the year from that section of Siberia bordering on Behring sea.

When the Victoria put to sea Nome was enjoying splendid weather. This favorable climatic condition continued until she crossed the sea and wended out through Unimak pass. But during October 21, 22 and 23 Capt. Weaver reports that he encountered some of the roughest weather he ever experienced in his long sea service.

The Victoria's $225,000 worth of treasure came consigned to the Union Savings & Trust Company, the Washington Trust Company, the Scandinavian American Bank and the Northwestern Commercial Company. Of her passengers there were 209 cabin and 349 second class. Among the more prominent of the crowd were:

Jafet Linderberg, one of the four discoverers of Nome, and Mrs. Linderberg; Count Podhorski, of the Northeastern Siberian Company, who is returning from Siberia, where he passed the season in the interest of that corporation; W. J. Rogers, Nome manager of the Northwestern Commercial Company, who is returning from the district after a continuous residence since 1901; W. H. Long, general manager of the Flambeau Hastings Ditch & Mining Company; Oscar Ashby, of the Topkok Ditch Company; H. H. V. Bean, engaged in Nome-White mountain transportation service; W. H. Black, a prominent Ophir creek operator; J. L. Cox, of the Pacific Cold Storage Company; F. A. Cross, a Council City miner; J. R. Chambers, a Nome merchant; Mrs. Du Freuse, an Anvil creek operator.

R. G. Macdonald, purser of the Victoria, says Nome was having better weather at the time the Victoria sailed than at that time any season in five years. The indications were that Behring sea would remain open for some time after the Corwin, the vessel scheduled to leave last, put to sea. Though threatened with a prolonged drouth in the early part of the season, it was drawing to a close with a much better showing than the most sanguine had hoped for.

The recent strike on Little creek, near Nome, Mr. Macdonald says, created a sensation throughout the Nome district. The reports concerning the rich pans taken from the claim he declares are not exaggerated in the least. He believes the property will turn out as rich, if not richer, than any placer mine ever worked in the district.

The Victoria brought four sacks of mail and a small amount of general freight. She was met at pier 8, where she tied up, by hundreds of friends and relatives of those aboard, though the hour of the vessel's arrival was not generally given out.

GERMAN MERCHANT MARINE.

Steamers Increase in Number, Sailing Ships in Size.

The German Empire possesses 1,011 ships of an average capacity of over 1,000 tons each, against 976 ships of 1,000 tons at this time a year ago. Of these ships, 786 are steamers and 225 sailing vessels. The increase in number is in steamers. Today Germany has only ten fast steamers; four, the Furst Bismarck, Augusta Victoria, Columbia and Kaiserin Maria Teresa, have been sold to Russia. Of the foregoing, 38 steamers carried mails; the others are passenger and freight steamers. In regard to size, the Kaiser Wilhelm II. of the North German Lloyd, with its 20,000 tons, leads. There are two steamers now in course of construction from the Hamburg-American line which will be even larger than the Kaiser Wilhelm II. One of these, the America, is being built in Ireland, and the other, the Europa, in the shipyards of Stettin.

Of the number of ships in the Hamburg-American line there are 128 steamers. The North German Lloyd has 97 steamers; the Hansa, in Bremen, 42; the German Levant line, 30; the Wormann line, 29; the Hamburg-South American Steamship Company, 28; the Kosmos, 26; and the German-Australian Steamship Company, 25. There were 47 new steamers in course of construction in April, 1904. Of these, 13 were for the Hamburg-American line, 3 for the North German Lloyd, 6 for the Hansa and 7 for the firm of H. C. Hahn & Schleswig. In the matter of sailing vessels, it is noticeable that the number is not increasing, but that there is a tendency to increase their tonnage capacity. The largest sailing vessels are two five-masted ships belonging to a Hamburg firm. They have 5,081 and 4,026 tons capacity, respectively.

NAPHTHA SCHOONER LOST.

Hoquiam, Oct. 27.—Word has just been received here of the wreck of the naphtha schooner Albatross between Raft and Queets rivers. She was engaged in carrying freight between Grays harbor towns and the Queets country, and came here recently from Seattle. No lives were lost, and if good weather continues the boat may be saved.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

The following notices appear in the current issue of the United States hydrographic report:

Lieut. R. E. Coontz, U. S. Navy, navigating officer of the U. S. S. Buffalo, reports under date of September 18, 1904, that the commander of H. B. M. S. Shearwater informed him that the light on Cape Sarichef was in operation in August, 1904.

Lieut. R. E. Coontz, U. S. Navy, navigating officer of the U. S. S. Buffalo, reports under date of September 18, 1904, that in the approach to Nikolski, foul ground was indicated by a break estimated at about one-half mile to the westward of Toperlov Island, in the direction of Sea Lion (Livuchi) rocks. Vessels entering should keep south of a line joining Sea Lion rocks and Toperkov Island.

JAPANESE RECRUITS DEPART.

Ordered to Report for Military Duty at Tokio Immediately.

Steamer Telemachus of the Blue Funnel line called here last evening and took on 100 Japanese and 50 Chinese. About 60 of the Japanese came from the Sound, and all are reservists under summons to report at Tokio as soon as possible for military service. The men all appeared to be in high spirits and glad to be on the way home to help the fatherland in the struggle with Russia. The Telemachus was to sail for Yokohama this morning at an early hour.

FIRST WHALER ARRIVES.

San Francisco, Oct. 27.—The bark Gayhead, Capt. Fisher, fourteen days from Behring sea, arrived in port today. She is the first of the whaling fleet to reach home, and reports a catch of six thousand pounds of bone and four hundred and fifty barrels of oil.

On September 15th, Capt. Fisher reports having spoken the bark Alice Knowles. The latter reported having one thousand barrels of sperm oil and one thousand pounds of bone.

On September 10th the British sealing schooner Libbie reported a catch of two hundred and seventy-five skins. The Zellah May was also spoken, and reported ninety skins taken.

Through an attack of a whale, the Gayhead lost two boats. The crews were rescued. Anton Merida, a member of the crew, was buried at sea.

ON THE OCEAN WAVE.

Boston Herald.

These ocean steamship daily newspapers are waxing quite piquant in their gossip columns. The latest one that has come to our notice tells us how a "Prince of Pilsen" girl encountered a venerable gentleman on the promenade deck, patted him on the cheek and remarked: "You've got a fat, good-natured face. I guess I'll kiss you." And she proceeded to suit her action to her proposition. No arrests.

PILOT APPOINTED.

Captain James R. Reardon has been appointed to fill the vacancy on the local pilotage board caused by the death of the late Captain Bridgman, says the Vancouver News-Advertiser. There were about forty applications for the position, which was the first appointment made by the board of the reorganized Vancouver pilotage district, formerly known as the Yale and New Westminster authority. Captain Reardon was formerly chief officer of the Oriental liner Empress of Japan, and of late has been master of the coasting steamer Unican.

FIRST OVER ATLANTIC.

The first steamship which made the western trip across the Atlantic was the Sirius. She sailed from Queenstown April 3, 1838, and crossed to New York in eighteen days. June 16, 1897, she was lost off the south coast of Ireland. In May of this year the wreck was raised, and now most of her metal is being made over into steam fittings and taps. Her crank shaft, of solid brass, will be sawed into small discs, which will be suitably engraved for souvenirs.

MARINE NOTES.

Mr. H. H. Abbott, local agent of the C. P. R., has been advised of the arrival of the following Atlantic steamers at New York at 8:30 a. m., October 24th; American line steamship St. Paul, White Star line steamship Celtic and Cunard line steamship Umbria.

Steamer Leelanaw will leave tomorrow morning for the Sound. She completes the unloading of her cement cargo today.

Lever's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder dusted in the bath softens the water at the same time that it disinfects.

Water Glass Egg Preserver

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W. JONES

DOM. GOVT. AUCTIONEER.

Is instructed by Mrs. Sellick to sell, on the premises known as Wm. Holmes' Milk Ranch, Gordon Head Road, 4 miles from city, at 1 p. m., Wednesday, Nov. 2, 1904,

Farm Stock and Furniture

Horses, Cows, Pigs, Chickens, Hay, Apples, Spring Wagon, Double and Single Buggies, Lot Roots in Ground, 2 Sets Single Harness, Seeder, Tools, and all the

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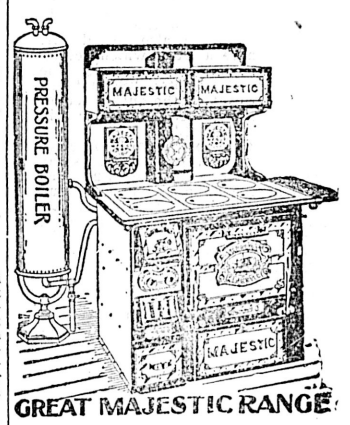
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